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## COSTLY FAILURE

German Mass Daylight Raids On London Again

### YOUNG SCOUT'S PLUCK

A young boy's pluck and knowledge of signals told the pilot of the Sunderland flyingboat that found the 46 additional survivors of the "City of Benares" all he wanted to know about the lifeboat below him.

The captain of the Sunderland, telling the story, said: "Through my glasses I saw there were people in a drifting boat but most of them were prostrate and obviously well exhausted. Suddenly a little chap in Boy Scouts uniform sprang up. He pulled himself up, looked round for something white and began waving. 'I didn't get the idea for a moment and then it dawned on me what he was up to, and I watched steadily and saw him spell out 'City of Benares.' 'That was enough, and we were off right away to get help.'—Reuter.

### BRITISH CHILDREN REACH N.Z.

The first party of British children, numbering 84, evacuated from Britain arrived in Wellington (N.Z.) yesterday, says Reuter.

### WASHINGTON DEFENCE CONFERENCE

It was announced in Washington yesterday that President Roosevelt received Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, and afterwards saw leading defence officials before the Cabinet session in the afternoon.—Reuter.

### BURMA ROAD AGITATION

Agitation has been renewed in Chungking for the re-opening of the Burma road.

Chinese public bodies are holding meetings to discuss the issue and also are sending delegates to call on the British Ambassador. Over 30 members of the National People's Political Council have wired members of the British House of Commons urging the early unconditional re-opening of the road for strengthening Chinese resistance and safeguarding British interests in the Far East.—Reuter.

## Torn To Rags And Tatters One Hundred And Thirty Shot Down

GREATER LONDON'S WAR WORK CARRIED ON SMOOTHLY YESTERDAY WITH THE MINIMUM INTERRUPTION WHILE LARGE GERMAN BOMBER FORMATIONS ESCORTED BY EVEN BIGGER FIGHTER ESCORTS TRIED REPEATEDLY TO PENETRATE THE DEFENCES IN WHAT APPEARED TO BE THEIR MOST DETERMINED DAYLIGHT ATTACK ON THE CAPITAL SINCE SEPTEMBER 15.

Reports to the early evening suggest it proved the same costly failure as then, when the enemy lost 191 aircraft, all but six of which fell to British fighters. Yesterday the most concentrated anti-aircraft fire London has ever seen in daylight harried the raiders.

Reuter's air correspondent who witnessed operations on the south-east outskirts of London, states the synchronisation of fighter interception was brilliant.

## KIEL AGAIN HEAVILY ATTACKED

The R.A.F. attack on the dockyards at Kiel on Thursday night began at 8 o'clock and lasted until shortly after 11 p.m., states the Air Ministry news service.

One raider described the scene as follows: "Fires started in the lock area were terrific. I have seen lots of fires in my time but those last night will want a lot of beating."

The bombardment of Le Havre lasted two and a quarter hours and despite intense opposition from ground defences the raiders succeeded in pressing home their attacks. Fires and violent explosions were caused.

Kiel and Le Havre were the northern and southern limits of the night's raids by the R.A.F. on enemy invasion bases.—Reuter.

## GOOD INVASION WEATHER

IT HAS BEEN GOOD "INVASION WEATHER" FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS. CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN FAVOURABLE AND YESTERDAY WAS NO EXCEPTION.

In the Straits of Dover, there was a slight mist, but the sea was calm and there were no clouds in the sky. The wind swung from NE to NW.

The only activity, however, was a short gun duel between long-range guns on the English and French Coast, sides of the Channel.—Reuter.

### Locked In Battle

All this time Allied and German fighters had been locked in battle in the haze above the bombers. As the latter turned and the guns became silent, fighter after fighter dropped in among them until they were lost to sight.

This scene was repeated many times on the southern outskirts of London and over the Downs and valleys to the Channel. The enemy were everywhere apparently trying to find their way into London and not succeeding. Split up and confounded, the bombers dropped bombs to little effect.

Yesterday afternoon, during London's fifth daylight raid of the day, violent A.A. fire was audible over Central London and about a dozen German planes were seen flying in formation towards the south-west.

Plumes of smoke seemed to indicate British fighters had attacked the formation.

### Severe Losses

An Air Ministry communique says our fighters intercepted several enemy attacks in the South of England and inflicted severe losses, particularly in the neighbourhood of London.

Two of these attacks were made on London in the morning and a third in the afternoon. A few bombs fell in Central London and a number of south and south-west districts. Some damage to houses was caused.

In south London an industrial building was hit and a number of casualties resulted. (Continued on Page 16)

## SERGEANT AIR GUNNER WINS WAR'S ELEVENTH V.C.

THE ELEVENTH V.C. of the war has been awarded to Sergeant John Hannah, of the Royal Air Force, for conspicuous gallantry and courage. A native of Glasgow, he is only 18 years of age.

On September 15, he was wireless operator and gunner in a plane engaged on a successful attack on enemy barge concentrations at Antwerp.

The plane was then hit by a shell, which apparently burst inside the bomb compartment. The fire spread and as both the starboard and port petrol tanks had been pierced there was grave risk of the aircraft being enveloped by flames.

Forcing his way through the flames and smoke, he got hold of two extinguishers. The rear gunner, he discovered, had had to leave.

He could have done the same, but instead he stayed and fought the fire for 10 minutes. When the contents of the extinguishers had all gone, he fought the flames with his log-book.

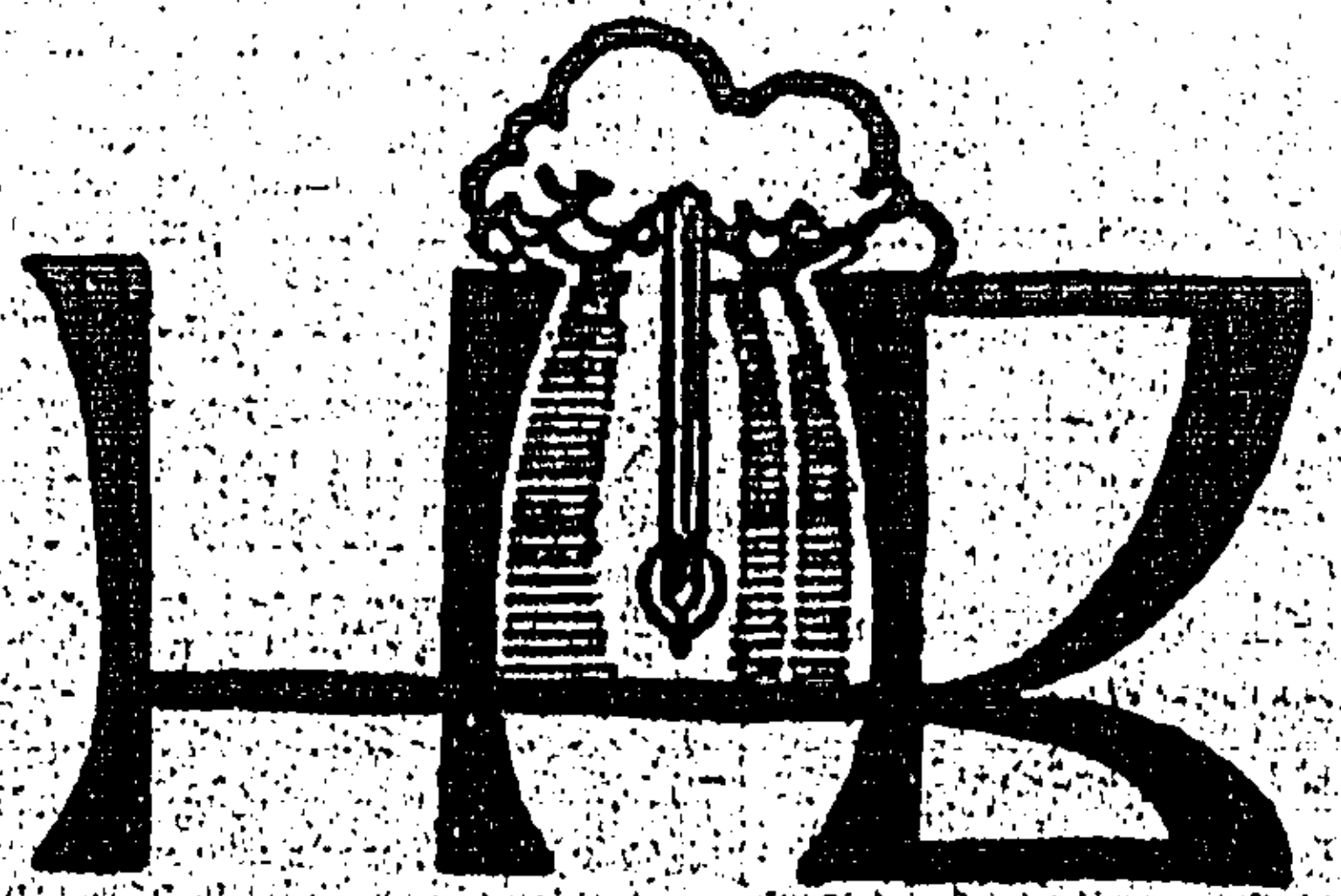
During this time, ammunition burst in all directions, and he was almost blinded by the heat and flames. He turned on his oxygen supply.

The bomb compartment was an inferno. All the aluminium floor sheetings had melted, leaving only the cross-bars, and he had sustained burns to his face and eyes.

But he put the fire out. Making his way forward, he found that the navigator had left the plane, and he passed the log-book and maps up to the pilot.

Thanks to his courage, coolness and devotion to duty, the pilot was able to bring the plane safely home.—Reuter.

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# JAPANESE RUSHED INTO EMBARRASSING ALLIANCE

It is hard to resist the conclusion that Japan has been rushed into an agreement which can bring her no assistance but only the embarrassment of undertakings which she will have to carry through alone, writes Reuter's diplomatic correspondent about the new German-Italian-Japanese agreement.

As Germany and Italy are now exerting all their efforts against the British Empire it is difficult to see what materials or other assistance they can give Japan, who would seem to be expected to contribute much in return for promises and aspirations.

## TURKEY AND RUMANIA SIGN PACT

TURKISH AND RUMANIAN DELEGATES YESTERDAY CONCLUDED AND SIGNED TWO NEW TRADE AGREEMENTS AFTER LONG AND VERY LABORIOUS NEGOTIATIONS.

The agreements raise Turkish-Rumanian commercial exchanges to a total of £7,000,000, representing almost four times the amount involved in the previous treaty which has now expired.

The new agreements chiefly provide for the supply by Rumania to Turkey of important quantities of petrol and fuel oils in exchange for Turkish raw materials for the manufacture of textiles.—Reuter.

## WOMAN DR. FOR NAVY

Three lines in the London Gazette have made naval history. They recorded the appointment of the first woman doctor to the Royal Navy.

Here is the announcement. "Attached R.N.V.R., Mrs. Genevieve Rewcastle, M.B., Ch.B. granted relative rank of Surgeon Lieutenant.

An Admiralty official told a reporter: "Dr. Rewcastle will look after the women—the W.R.N.S. There was no similar appointment in the last war."

### Wife Of K. C.

Mrs. Attracta Genevieve Rewcastle is the wife of Mr. C. S. Rewcastle, K.C., of Holmesdale Road, Kew Gardens, Richmond Surrey.

Daughter of the late Mr. Bartholomew Candon, of Dublin, she studied medicine at the National University of Ireland and later was appointed assistant school medical officer at Sheffield.

She has taken a prominent part in social work, and three years ago was national president of the Catholic Women's League.

## LEAGUE OFFICIALS REFUSED TRANSIT

Several League of Nations officials, including Mr. Sean Lester, Interim Secretary-General, and Señor Guerrero, President of the Permanent Court of International Justice, have been refused entry into Spain.

They arrived at the Spanish frontier some days ago and were duly provided with visas for the journey through Spain but have had to return to Geneva.—Reuter.

One clause of the agreement appears designed to intimidate the United States, as it is difficult to see to what other power it could possibly refer.

Primary purpose of the pact is obviously to keep the United States out of the war.

The specific reservation regarding the Soviet Union apparently indicates that the signatories are not worried over Russia.

Text of the pact as published does not materially alter the situation, and if there are no secret clauses it should not affect the struggle between Britain and the Axis.

### Non-Belligerency

It amounts to little more than a declaration of non-belligerency on the part of Japan in place of neutrality.

Japan and the Axis agree to stand by and cooperate to establish and maintain a new order but mutual assistance is only operative if a power not at present involved in war attacks any contracting party.

This somewhat vague formula would seem to involve Japan if any other country, as well as America, entered the struggle.

Would it apply, for instance, if Egypt declared war on Italy? —Reuter.

## AN EMPIRE WAR

THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION IS SHORTLY INITIATING AN EMPIRE PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN IN BRITAIN WITH THE AIM OF BRINGING HOME TO THE PEOPLE THAT THE WAR IS NOT A FIGHT BETWEEN BRITAIN AND NORTHERN EUROPE BUT SOMETHING OF VITAL CONCERN TO THE EMPIRE AS A WHOLE.

Idea behind the scheme is that there is nothing new about the so-called "new order" which Hitler claims to be founding whereas the British Commonwealth, based on goodwill and free association, is new and vital and something which does work.

Already the Government are working out a policy of war aims and post-war plans and the campaign is intended to give the public a definition thereto.—Reuter.

## AIR RAIDS ON ABYSSINIA BASES

A Nairobi communique yesterday stated that successful attacks on Maki (Abyssinia) were carried out by the South African Air Force on Wednesday.

Waves of aircraft bombed military buildings and the aerodrome. Direct hits were made with heavy bombs on buildings and a large fire was started.

In addition, numerous reconnaissance flights were carried out over Abyssinia and Somaliland. All our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

## JAPANESE COMMENT "EXHAUSTED"

Comment has been exhausted on the attitude and actions of the United States, to which the Japanese Ambassador in Washington has already conveyed a full expression of Japanese sentiment on all issues, stated the Tokyo Foreign Office spokesman at yesterday's press conference.—Reuter.

## NOT A THREAT IN THE AXIS!

After the signing in Berlin yesterday of the German-Italian-Japanese pact, Ribbentrop, Ciano, and the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Kurusu, made short speeches.

Ribbentrop declared the pact was a military alliance between the three mightiest nations in the world.

Ciano said the three powers would neither challenge nor threaten anybody!

Mr. Kurusu said the final aim of the pact consists in the establishment of a general and lasting world peace based on justice.—Reuter.

## NOTHING CHANGED BY NEW PACT — SAYS MR. HULL

MR. CORDELL HULL, United States Secretary of State, at his daily press conference in Washington yesterday, made a formal statement on Japan's alliance with the Axis.

"The alliance," he declared, "does not, in the view of the Government of the United States, substantially alter a situation which has existed for several years.

"Announcement of the alliance merely makes clear to all the relationship which has long existed in effect and to which this Government has repeatedly called attention.

"That such an agreement has been in progress of conclusion has been well known for some time and the pact has been fully taken into account by the Government of the United States in determining the country's policies."

Washington officials indicated that the United States is not particularly disturbed by the new pact and will continue to aid Britain by all methods short of war.

### Situation Crystallised

It is considered the pact merely crystallises a situation which hitherto has been obvious but not actually defined officially.

As far as can be seen the United States will continue her present attitude towards the Far Eastern situation, insisting on the maintenance of the status quo.

United States policy, it is pointed out, has had to consider three powers as potential enemies ever since 1937 when the existence of the triple alliance was advanced as a reason for United States naval expansion.

The pact, however, serves to emphasise to the Americas that the European struggle is not an isolated factor but part of world wide aggressive action.—Reuter.

## SUMMER TIME'S END IN SHANGHAI

Summer Time in Shanghai will end at midnight on October 12.—Reuter.

## JAPANESE STATEMENT ON NEW PACT

"There will be no change in Japan's non-involvement policy at this stage; Japan is not going to participate in the European war nor is she attacking any other country," declared the Foreign Office spokesman last night when he announced the German-Italian-Japanese pact.—Reuter.

## FAKIR OF IPI'S WAR VIEW

THE FAKIR OF IPI, ACCORDING TO RELIABLE REPORTS IN PESHAWAR YESTERDAY, HAS EXPRESSED TO HIS ASSOCIATES HIS ASTONISHMENT AT EGYPT'S FAILURE TO DECLARE WAR AS A RESULT OF THE ITALIAN INVASION OF EGYPTIAN TERRITORY.

The Fakir expressed the opinion that such a declaration should be made immediately.

For 15 years the Fakir has been known as the terror of Waziristan but lately has been living a secluded life and has not indulged in hostile activities.—Reuter.

## TWO RAIDS ON SOLLUM

TWO RAIDS ON ENEMY CONCENTRATIONS AT SOLLUM ON THURSDAY WERE REPORTED IN LAST NIGHT'S CAIRO R.A.F. COMMUNIQUE.

In one, on the aerodrome, direct hits were scored on three aircraft and a fourth probably was severely damaged.

Second raid was on a camp but here it was not possible to observe the extent of the damage.

Operating from the Sudan, R.A.F. bombers raided Assab.—Reuter.

## FREE FRANCE IN THE PACIFIC

In a message to the Governor of New Caledonia, thanking the population for steadfastness in their desire to redress the French surrender, General de Gaulle yesterday said: "Thanks to New Caledonia, Tahiti, and the New Hebrides, Free France can again hold her place in the Pacific. I know a great number of you will join the Free Forces engaged against our enemies." —Reuter.

## NEW JAPANESE MINISTERS

The Japanese Cabinet yesterday announced the appointment of full-time Ministers for Railways (Gohtaro Ogawa), Overseas Affairs (Kiyoshi Akita), and Welfare (Yasuo Kanemitsu). —Reuter.

## L'ORDURE COOLIES JOIN STRIKE IN SHANGHAI

LORDURE COOLIES and garbage collectors in the International Settlement have joined the walk-out of tram and bus workers, and it is persistently reported that employees of the waterworks and other utilities are likely to strike at any moment.

A special squad of Russian strike-breakers are standing by in the French Concession.

An attempt was made to halt the skeleton French tramway service at noon yesterday when an incendiary bomb enclosed in a shoe was thrown at a tram, setting the car ablaze and injuring at least 10 Chinese passengers.

A Portuguese employee of the Settlement Bus Company, Robert Favacho, well-known as an Inter-port soccer player, was abducted by striking bus workers and held for three and a half hours yesterday morning.

A Chinese fitter intervened and Favacho was released.—Reuter.

## NEW G.O.C. IN ULSTER

Lt.-Genl. Sir R. H. Pownall, Inspector of the Home Guard, who was Lord Gort's Chief of Staff during the recent operations in France, has been appointed to command British troops in Ireland. It was announced in London yesterday.—Reuter.



# OMINOUS PHENOMENON

## Hitler's Hunt For Allies In The War

### Confession Job's Too Big For Him?

"Germany's worldwide hunt for new allies" is interpreted as an ominous phenomenon in an article by "Strategicus" in the London "Spectator" yesterday.

Hitler claims to have the fullest confidence he will win this wooing of Spain and this seems a most ambiguous proof of Germany's confidence in victory.

### CONTROL OF SALE OF FIREWOOD

Control of the sale of firewood in the Colony is taken under Government by an Order published today. The Order states:—

Every person who, on or after the date of this order, has possession, custody or control of any firewood for the purpose of sale shall deliver to the Stores Controller—

(a) forthwith, a return in Form 1 in the Schedule of the particulars there specified;

(b) weekly before noon on Monday, or if Monday is a public or general holiday, before noon on the first succeeding day which is not a holiday, a return in Form 2 in the Schedule of the particulars there specified for the week ending at noon on the Saturday before the return is due.

Returns shall be signed by the person required to make them and shall bear his "chop."

Returns may be delivered by post to the Stores Controller at the Government Stores Department, No. 249 Electric Road, North Point.

The Stores Controller may dispense with any return or allow delivery of any return to be postponed.

No person who, on or after the 7th day of October, 1940, has possession, custody or control of any firewood for the purpose of sale shall sell or remove from his possession, custody or control any such firewood except by written permission of the Stores Controller or in accordance with paragraph 8 of this order.

Every person carrying on or employed in connection with the business of buying and selling firewood shall, on demand by an inspector of firewood, produce to him any books, accounts or other documents relating to that business.

#### Authority To Sell.

For the purposes of this order an inspector of firewood may enter and inspect any premises in which the business of buying and selling firewood is carried on, or any premises used in connection with any such business, or any premises which he may have reasonable grounds for suspecting to be used for the purposes of any such business or for storing firewood in contravention of this order.

No person, unless authorised in writing in that behalf by the Stores Controller, shall, after the 7th day of October, 1940, carry on the business of buying and selling firewood.

In the order—  
"firewood" means any wood, whether cut in suitable lengths and sizes or not, adapted to be used for the purpose of fuel;  
"inspector of firewood" means any officer of the Stores Department appointed by the Stores Controller for the purposes of this order.

She is trying to persuade Spain to pull her chestnuts out of the fire. Nobody has ever accused Hitler of being a philanthropist.

If he is confident of securing victory alone, if his pretensions to overwhelming resources were reliable, it is certain he would not be now touting for Spanish assistance.

But this is not Germany's first ambiguous action. By June 9 it was clear that France was defeated and Germany felt uncomfortable about tackling a Britain at bay, so she persuaded Italy to enter the war.

If she had been confident of victory she would never have invited an ally who must be paid out of the spoils.

#### Ogling Turkey

At this moment she is not only courting Spain and ogling Turkey, she is doing her best to persuade Japan to walk the plank too.

She recognises Gibraltar and Aden are rivets of the Continental blockade and although she has wasted much breath upon assertions that the blockade is not touching her, she wants at all costs to capture these bases. Despite all her truculence and boasting she clearly believes she must simplify the problem much more before she has a chance of coping with it successfully.

She discounts her own chances and has done. She has realised she is faced with the problem which defied Napoleon. The position confronting Britain is certainly serious but "she is bound to win and I point to Germany's actions as constituting proof that in her heart she fears it."—Reuter.

### MOTOR-BIKES MUST BE IMMOBILISED

Since the order to immobilise unattended motor vehicles came into force a month ago, motor-cycle thefts have risen from 5 per cent. to 80 per cent. of the motor vehicle thefts reported in London.

As this indicates that motor-cyclists are not taking as much care as motorists, they are warned that the order applies to them just as strongly as to car drivers.

"One of the best ways to immobilise a motor-cycle is to use a lock on the wheel," an official of the Ministry of Home Security said.

"We regard the putting out of motion of unattended motor-cycles as serious a matter as the immobilising of cars."

### PLAYGROUNDS FOR EVACUATED CHILDREN

Local education authorities are being asked by the Board of Education to see that all children who have been evacuated remain in the reception areas during the summer holidays and that they are taken off the hands of householders as much as possible. It is suggested that the building and playgrounds of all schools in reception areas attended by evacuated children should be kept open for recreational activities during the holidays.

### ANOTHER ASSURANCE

Japan has assured France she will respect French sovereignty and the territorial integrity of Indo-China, says a Tokyo communique.—Reuter.

### CHANGE IN TONE OF MOSCOW

A marked change in Communist propaganda circulating in the Balkans has become noticeable recently, it was declared in Istanbul yesterday.

Manifestoes printed under the inspiration of Moscow, which formerly were largely anti-British, have now assumed an exclusively anti-Axis tendency.

One such manifesto circulating in Bulgaria utters a warning against the increasing numbers of so-called German "tourists" in Bulgaria who, it declares, may be Fifth Columnists preparing "to turn our country into a base of German imperialism."

Well-informed observers consider Russia's recent actions in the Balkans indicate her present policy is to undermine Axis influence in every possible way by underground channels while officially maintaining cordial relations with Germany and avoiding for the time being any possible incident.—Reuter.

## GEN. DE GAULLE'S TACTICS AT DAKAR

GENERAL DE GAULLE'S withdrawal from Dakar because he did not want to shed French blood will increase his support in unoccupied France, according to French opinion in England, said the "Evening Standard" yesterday.

"It is, of course, a moral reverse for us," declared a French business man to the "Standard," "but on the other hand it may have a very good effect on public opinion in unoccupied France."

"The affair at Oran caused much anti-British feeling in unoccupied France. This ought to wash out all that."

"General de Gaulle, with his British escort, made no attempt to storm the fort and there is little doubt we could have taken it if the whole of Free France had been called into action, but even with possession of this admittedly important strategic port we should have lost face in unoccupied France and Africa generally."

"It would give force to the German argument that General de Gaulle was only a tool in British hands."

#### Grandson Of Foch

Opinion in France should now swing more to General de Gaulle and Britain generally.

The facts are that General de Gaulle made no attempt to spill French blood and sent mediators ashore in a launch flying a white flag.

In the launch was Commandant Jean Foch, grandson of the great Field-Marshal. He was fired on when he came to negotiate with his own people with the sole purpose of saving their falling under the German yoke. I don't think Frenchmen will forget that.—Reuter.

## THE LONGER THE BETTER

It is one of the characteristic features of this strange war that the British Empire is constantly becoming stronger and better co-ordinated, said the "Los Angeles Times" yesterday.

On the contrary the totalitarian front is beginning to show signs of a dangerous lack of solidarity.

While the component elements of the British Empire are getting closer together in the name of common language, ideology, tradition and interest that makes them members of one great family, the German Reich is constantly feeling the difference of language, opinion, tradition and outlook that separate Hitler not only from his closest friend, Mussolini, but even from the masses of the conquered nations subdued in the last year.—Reuter.

### STOCK EXCHANGE QUIETER

The London Stock Exchange opened quietly from yesterday with gilt-edged continuing the recent advance. Trading was comparatively light owing to the imminence of the week-end.

Shortly after midday the announcement of the German-Italian-Japanese agreement caused operators to take up a cautious attitude pending assessment of the agreement's real importance.

Result was a minor reaction in gilt edged with sharp falls in Japanese stocks. Wall Street was easy.—Reuter.

It is announced in the "Gazette" that at an Inquiry held by the Medical Board on the 12th June, 1940, a resolution was duly passed that it had been proved to the satisfaction of the Board that Dr. Wong Yu Lung of No. 36, Nanking Street, 1st floor, Yau-mat, had permitted an unqualified assistant employed by him to give inoculations for cholera and vaccination to persons attending at his consulting rooms and had permitted such assistant to furnish such persons with certificates already signed by him, certifying that he the said Dr. Wong Yu Lung, had inoculated and vaccinated such persons whereas in fact he the said Dr. Wong Yu Lung had not seen such persons nor had he performed such inoculations for cholera and vaccination and further that he the said Dr. Wong Yu Lung had signed certificates of inoculation for cholera and vaccination in blank and had permitted the said assistant to deal with the same as he saw fit and that, in relation to the facts so proved to the satisfaction of the Board, the said Dr. Wong Yu Lung had been guilty of infamous conduct in a professional respect and directed the name of Dr. Wong Yu Lung be struck off the register of Medical and Surgical Practitioners qualified to practise medicine and surgery in this Colony.

### NEW COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

The following official appointments etc., are gazetted:

Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, to be temporarily an Unofficial Member of the Executive Council.

Mr. C. G. Perdue to be temporarily a Member of the Legislative Council.

Mr. E. Davidson to be a member of the Compulsory Service Tribunal.

Hon. Mr. H. R. Butters, resumed duty as Financial Secretary.

Mr. T. E. Pearce to be temporarily an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council.

Mr. F. Ellipance, Supt. B. and F. Dept. is also Agricultural Adviser for the Colony.

Miss J. C. Eager to be a Nursing Sister.

Sergts. R. Edwards and J. Redman to be 2nd Lieutenants in the H.K.V.D.C.

Mr. B. Herschend to be in charge of the Finland Consulate.

Mr. J. K. Bousfield resumed duty as Organiser of the General Group for Essential Services in the H.K.D.R.

## HELD TEN HOURS LIKE SPY

A MAN WHO was kept under close military arrest for ten hours without a word of explanation was vouched for by a policeman. But an Army officer told the policeman to "shut up and mind your own business."

The civilian Mr. G. T. Cooper, a young farmer and traveller in farm implements, lives at Cleveland Drive, Cowley, Oxford. He was "kiting" the farm of Mr. J. E. Florey, at Hardwick, Witney, when Mr. Florey and his family were arrested in mistake as suspected Nazi sympathisers. Mr. Florey received an apology when the mistake was found out.

Mr. Cooper, who is a relative of Mr. Florey and a frequent visitor to the farm, said he was astonished to be confronted by armed soldiers who told him to "drive to town. He refused to do so. "I am afraid I was very unpleasant with everyone," said Mr. Cooper. "I did not mind at first. I thought they would let me go after checking up."

"But when they treated me like a spy, kept me surrounded by armed guards and refused to tell me what all the fuss was about, I lost my temper. He asked what it was all about, and a non-commissioned officer said, 'I don't know, and I told, I shouldn't tell you.'"

A prominent official of the university who was out there in a holiday party with a number of undergraduates came into the yard for something, and he was promptly detained for some time."

Mr. Cooper said he was not allowed to walk anywhere or get anything to eat. He was arrested at 11 p.m., and it was 11 p.m. when an officer came along and told him he could go.



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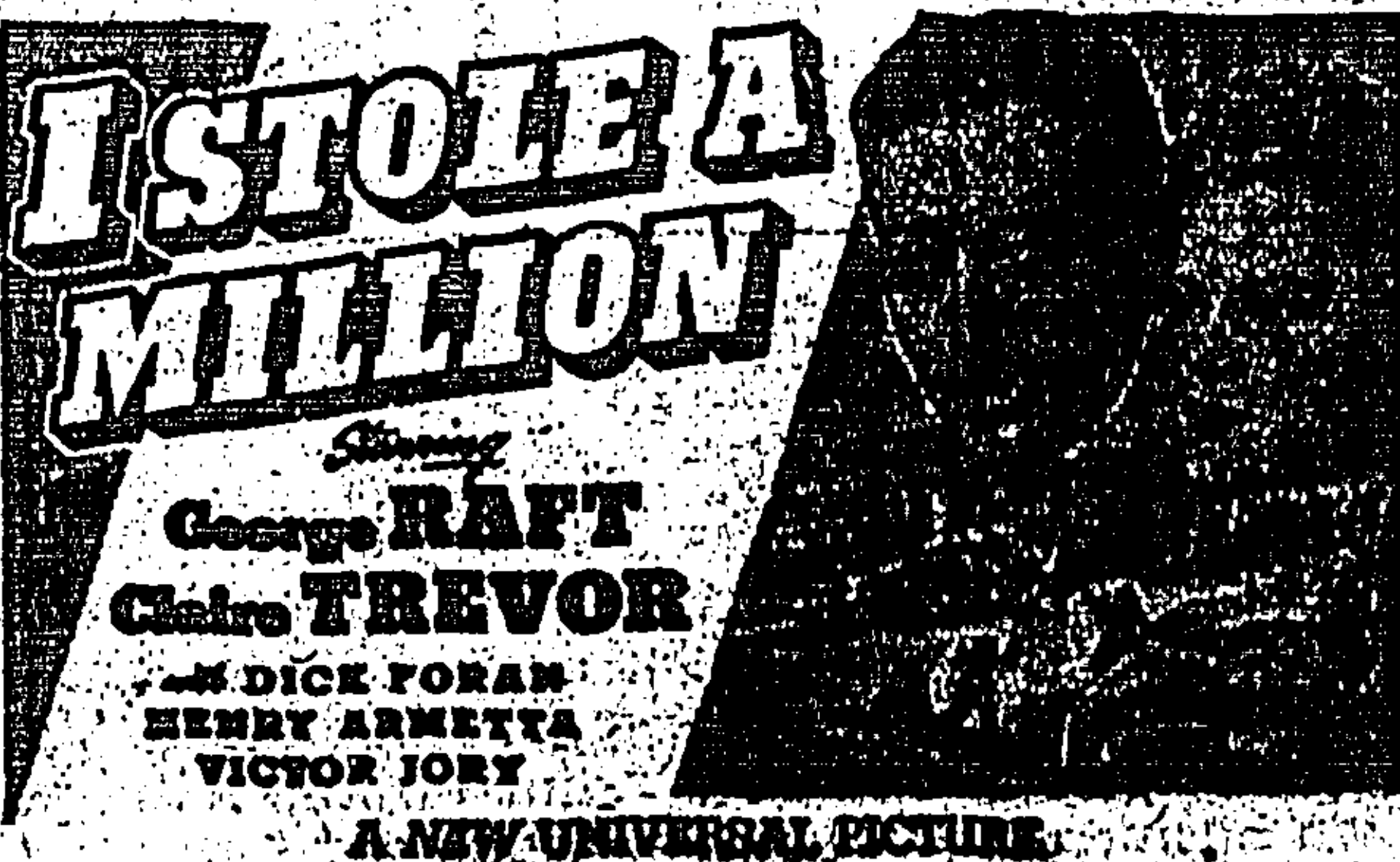
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# AXIS ATTEMPT TO INTIMIDATE UNITED STATES

THE NEW AXIS PACT adds little to the Rome/Berlin/Tokyo triangle except by implication, commented a semi-official source in London yesterday evening.

The Axis powers are eager to keep out of the China war and Japan is equally eager to keep out of the European war.

There is very little new about the pact, the most interesting clause being that in which the contracting powers undertake to aid one another with all means in their power if one of them is attacked by a Power not at present involved in the war in Europe or the Sino-Japanese conflict.

The only possible purpose of this seems to be an attempt to intimidate the United States, since the pact insists that relations with Soviet Russia are unchanged. First reactions of opinion in the United States show that this is clearly realised there.

## Pompous Ceremony

Axis spokesman also gave a hint that this was so. At the pompous, hurried ceremony of signing the pact in Berlin, Ribbentrop said that it was another step in the final phase of "the solution of these problems in Europe or Eastern Asia" and that if any Power attacked one of the contracting parties it would have to deal with the entire, concentrated force of the three nations.

An American correspondent in Berlin was even more bluntly told that the main effect on the pact would be that if the United States entered the European War she would be immediately engaged by Japan in the Pacific.

While the pact may have propaganda value for the Axis, its usefulness for Japan is extremely doubtful, a semi-official London source pointed out last night.

## Japan Rushed

Neither Germany nor Italy can help her in her own troubles in the way of raw materials, etc.

Japan is expected to contribute much in return for high-sounding phrases.

It is difficult to resist the conclusion that Japan has been hurried into it, because it brings her no help but only embarrassment. For herself, Japan will have to carry on alone, as before.

Washington official circles are not disturbed by the new Axis pact, and it is emphasised that America will continue to aid Britain with all methods short of war.

Washington correspondents say that the view is taken that the pact is "mere theatricals" and that there is no reason to suppose it will have any other effect than to stiffen the already stiffening attitude of the United States towards Japan.

## Damp Squib

Such a pact has been discounted long ago, and it will have no more effect than a damp squib.

The "New York Times" commented yesterday that the events of the past week show more clearly than ever that the war being fought on three continents are all the same war.

The "New York Herald-Tribune" says that we are entering on a new phase of the World War. The whole matter is intimately connected with the defence of Britain.

"To-day, it seems clearer than ever that the direct invasion of Britain has been rendered too difficult for even the Nazis to attempt," the paper continues.

"London may be reduced to ruins; it cannot be made to surrender."

The paper says that we are entitled to feel more confidence than ever that since June that Britain cannot be defeated in Britain.

Human efforts to defeat her elsewhere can be expected.

Reuter.

# KING AND QUEEN SEE AIR BATTLE

The King and Queen (who had earlier toured St. Thomas's Hospital which was recently bombed) were among crowds which rapidly followed yesterday afternoon's exciting air battle over London.

Their Majesties were touring the bombed areas and, standing on a huge crater, they saw shells bursting in the sky and watched British fighters hotly pursue a formation of German bombers.

A crowd of men, women and children, some of whose houses have been bombed, gathered round the King and Queen while the battle was in progress, ignoring the danger until the police shouted to the crowd to take cover, whereupon Their Majesties also went to an A.R.P. control room for shelter. — Reuter.

# JEWEL HAUL FROM FLAT

Jewellery estimated to be worth £1,000 has been stolen from the flat in King's Court South, Chelsea, S.W., occupied by Mrs. Fabian Lafargue and Mrs. Bryans Wolfe, one-time captain of the British Women's Squash Rackets Association.

Mrs. Lafargue and Mrs. Wolfe are joint authors of a novel to be published soon, and the robbery occurred while they were out.

"Most of the jewellery had a sentimental value," Mrs. Lafargue stated. "I lost a very big sapphire, which was left to me and which is absolutely irreplaceable."

"Mrs. Wolfe lost a diamond bracelet and ring and a lot of other articles. It is most annoying. The whole lot is worth quite £1,000."

# "WIN THE WAR" WHEN THEY SHOP

Every time a woman buys a lipstick or pair of stockings, she can help to win the war. Shopkeepers all over the country are acting as agents for the sale of National Savings Certificates or Savings Stamps, and shoppers are being encouraged to spend their spare change in this new national service.

From the local grocer or haberdasher Savings Stamps will be among the usual wares. Stamps cost 6d.

Two thousand shops are already in this "save for victory" scheme.

Said Mr. A. H. Williams, who is the driving force behind it: "We want the women of Britain to make the purchase of National Savings Certificates or stamps part of their weekly shopping habit."

## One Shop-£600 A Week

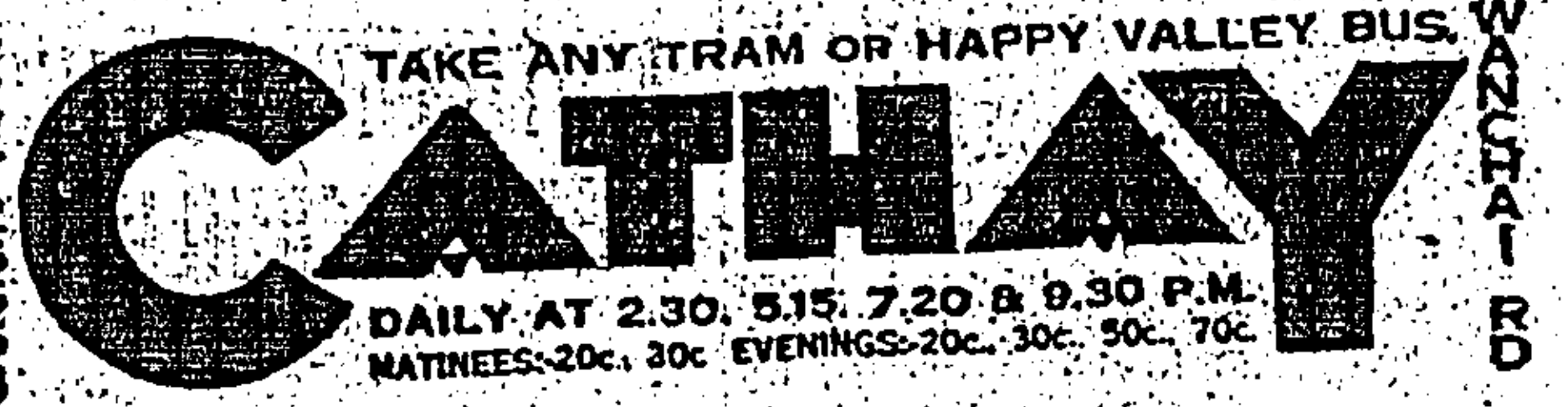
"If 40,000 shops took as little as £10 a week, housewives would be contributing £20,000,000 a year toward winning the war."

"Already there is one shop in the provinces selling approximately £800 worth of Savings Certificates a week."

Traders and firms are invited to send applications for appointment as agents to the Local Savings Committee (whose address can be obtained from any post office) or to the National Savings Committee, London.

Shoppers themselves can encourage shops to join the scheme and sell stamps for victory.

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9.30 p.m.

**"FRA DIAVOLO"**

Laurel—Hardy Dennis King

**"MUTINY ON THE BOUNTY"**

C. Laughton—C. Gable

TO-MORROW

2.30: **"CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS"**

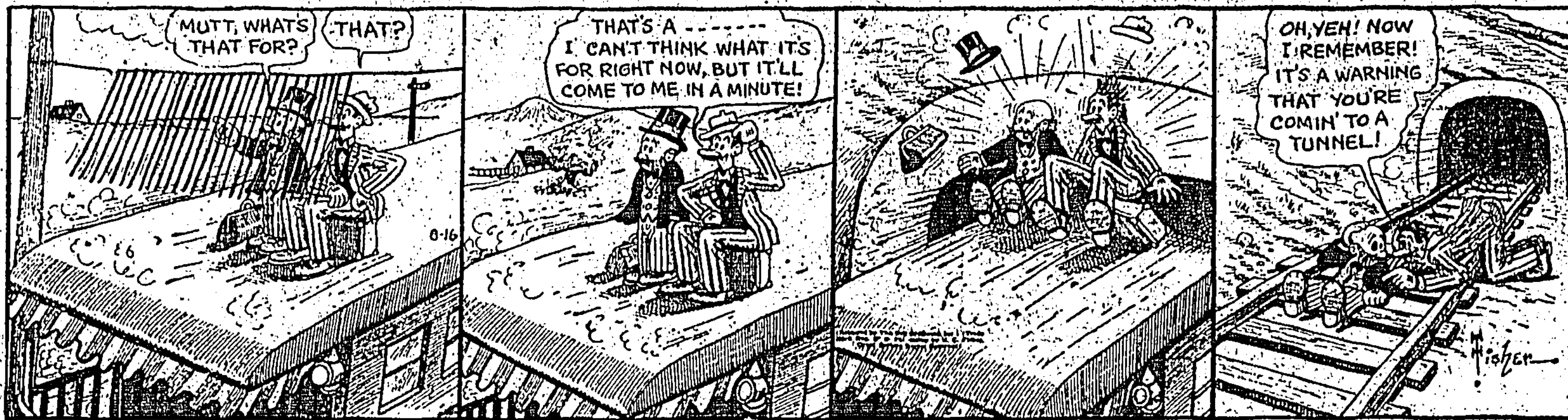
5.20: **"ROBIN HOOD OF EL DORADO"**

7.20: **"NAUGHTY MARIETTA"**

9.30: **"RECKLESS"**



## MUTT AND JEFF



## ARMY AGE MEN GONE TO U.S.

SIR JOHN ANDERSON, Home Secretary and Minister of Home Security, has been asked to investigate a number of recent instances of men nearing military age who have been able to secure permits to travel to the U.S.A. "to promote the export trade."

The Minister has been supplied with the names of six men, all under forty, who during the last few months have left Britain. All have previously been engaged in the fashion business and are "men of money."

Five other names of men nearing military age who contemplate leaving England for the States and Canada in the near future have been supplied to Sir John for his investigation.

A London travel agency has been named as helping all these men obtain their exit permits. A well-known London fashion shop-owner told a reporter: "It seems strange that the war should have given these men the sudden urge for exporting, an urge which makes it necessary for them to visit the countries they have decided to favour with their productions."

## Jewellery Smuggled

"Many of these men made quite sure before the war to establish good bank balances in the U.S." "One man got out to the U.S. on an 'export licence' just to sell shirts, stockings and ties there."

The Ministry of Home Security are also investigating instances of women smuggling jewellery out of the country.

One woman was the wife of one of the men whose name has already been put before the Ministry as having left England on the pretext of "furthering the export trade."

The wife supplied herself with a fur coat with extra large buttons. Secreted inside the buttons were diamonds and rings.

## WEEK IN GAOL, APPEALS

After a week in Shrewsbury Prison the Rev. Trevor Bowen, of Kingston, Herefordshire, appeared before Kingston Bench to appeal against his conviction on a charge of causing disaffection amongst soldiers.

He had been sentenced to three months' imprisonment. Bowen was bound over in the sum of £10 to appear before the appeal committee at Herefordshire Quarter Sessions.

## BUS TRIP COST MOTHER £10

Because her son travelled from Cardiff to Swansea by bus instead of by train, as instructed by the police, and kept a Court waiting, a woman had to forfeit £10 at Swansea Assizes.

Mrs. Elizabeth Abel, of Thompson Street, Barry Dock, had been bound over in £25 for the appearance of her son, Henry Charles Abel, a young seaman, but when the Court resumed the son was 20 minutes late. He blamed the bus.

## Found Guilty

When the Court rose, Mr. Justice Macnaghten told the mother that it was a serious matter to keep the Court waiting, and decided to remit £15 of the recognisances, ordering her to forfeit the balance of £10.

The son was found "Guilty" of an indecent offence, and was sent to Borstal for three years.

## CONCRETE STATEMENT

The step outside headquarters at a Fighter Command station in the south of England became worn, and it was decided to put a new concrete step in its place. Workmen came along and made a new step of cement. Boards were placed over the soft step to prevent anyone putting their feet on it before it set hard.

Next morning the new step had "set". The boards were taken away. Whereupon the following inscription was found cut into the surface in letters 3-inches long: "This is ONE step that Hitler won't take."

No one has suggested that the inscription should be removed.

## BURIED RADIUM IN USE AGAIN

It has been found possible to relax the war-time precautions imposed on the storage of radium. Immediately after hostilities began all the radium possessed by the King's Fund radium service was hidden in deep holes which had been bored in the ground to meet such an emergency.

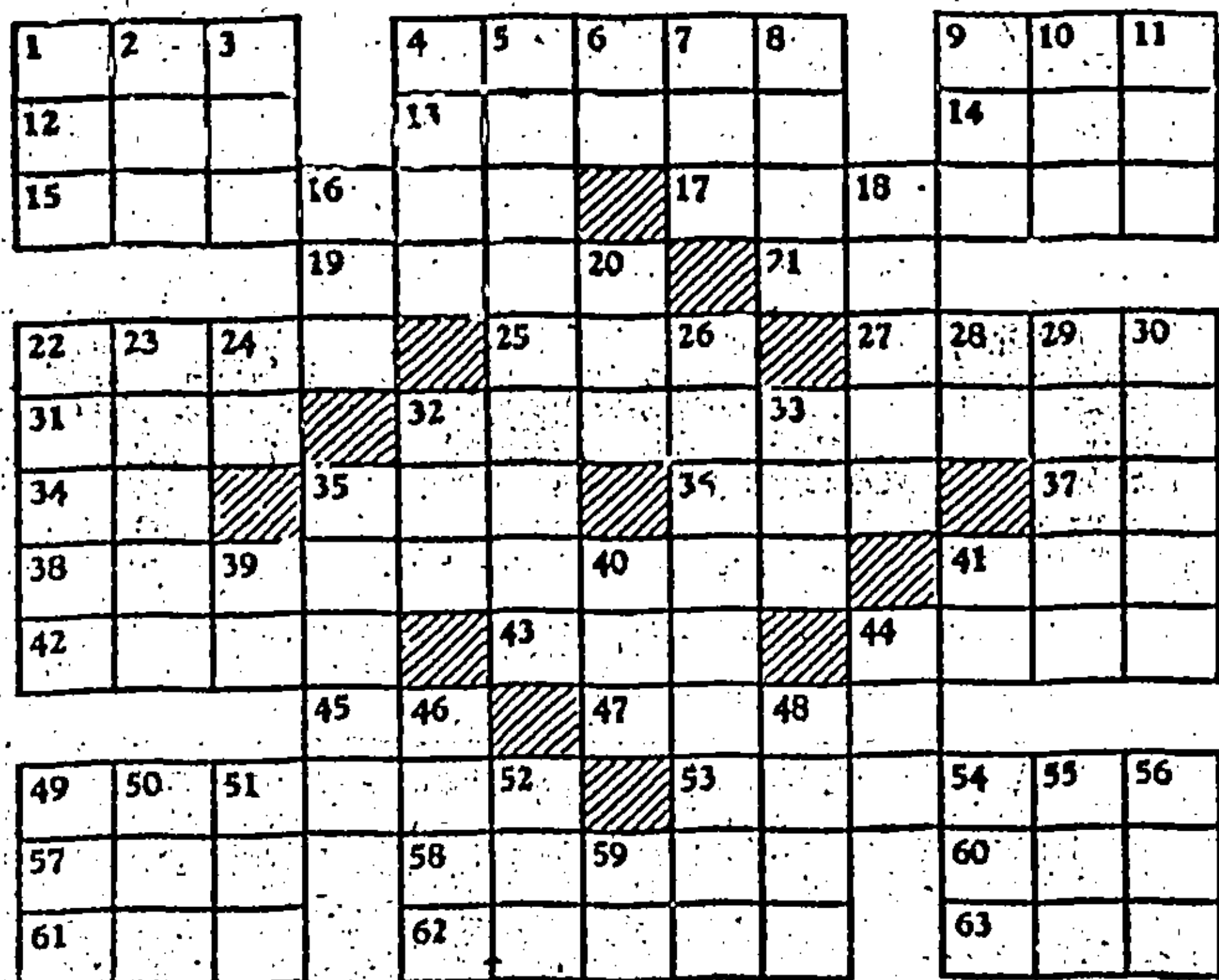
Serious dangers had to be faced from bomb explosions, involving not only the safety of the supplies, but that of the public. Adequate safeguards have however, since been arranged which permit the withdrawal of some of the radium and its use for curative purposes.

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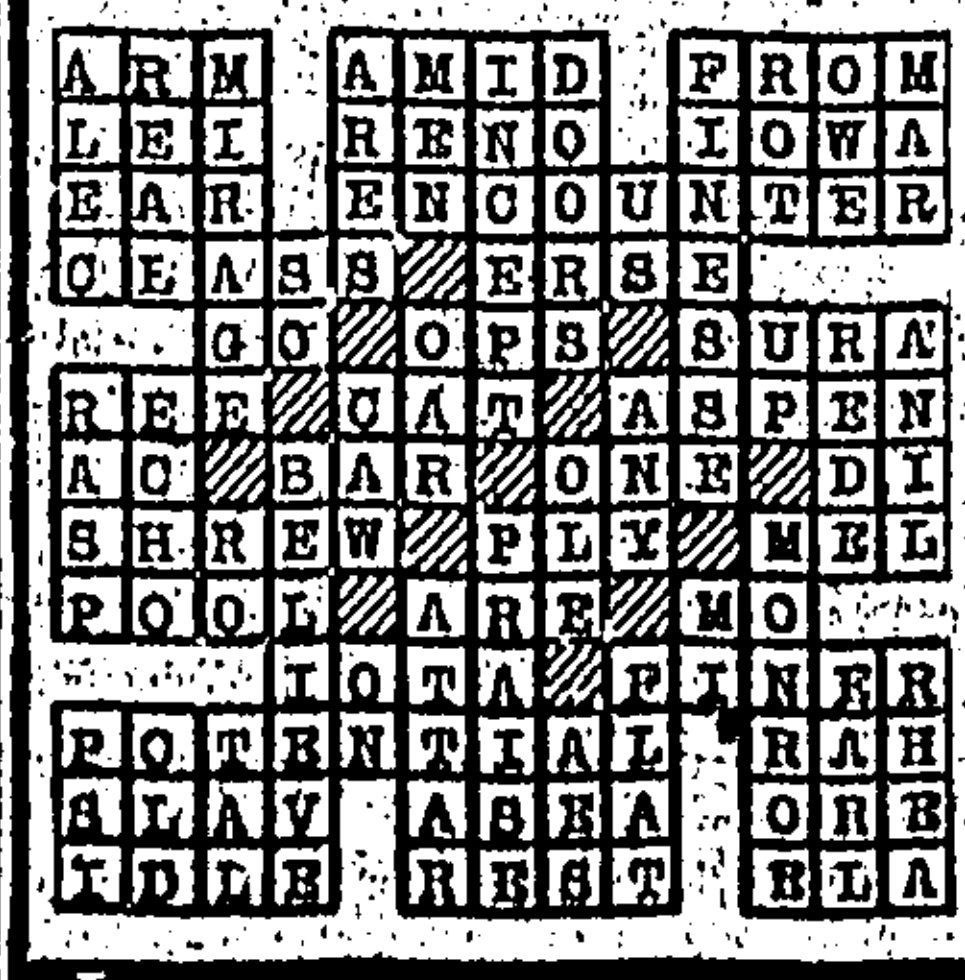


- HORIZONTAL**
- Male swan
  - At no time
  - Chinese pagoda
  - Confusion
  - To anoint
  - Swiss canton
  - Rodent
  - Moorish drum
  - Fish sauce
  - Printer's measure
  - To hurt
  - Ethiopian title
  - Trig
  - Moslem name
  - Diluted
  - Japanese measure
  - Wing
  - Wire measure
  - Preposition
  - Two-edged
  - Unit
  - Placed on a mound
  - To bite
  - To aid
  - Tautologic
  - Food-fish
  - Ankle
  - To appoint
  - Indescent fruit
  - To accustom

- VERTICAL**
- Vehicle
  - Room in a harem
  - To cut short
  - To fasten
  - Flat-bladed implement
  - Animal's foot
  - The nostrils
  - Insect

- To hold in mind
- Brother of Odin
- High note
- Network
- Large receptacle
- Brazilian macaw
- To be sick
- Club
- To reduce to nothing
- Feline
- Gem weight
- To place in rows
- Note of scale
- Signal
- Telegraph
- Babylonian deity
- To expiate
- Dogma
- High mountain
- Nothing
- Officers' assistants
- Symbol for cerium
- Archaic: it is
- Siberian river
- To append
- To destroy
- War god
- Ram
- Humming-bird
- Uncooked
- Nahoor sheep
- Sunken fence
- Electrified particle
- To yield
- City in Chaldea

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## 17 RAIDERS DOWN IN 30 MINUTES

R.A.F. FIGHTERS SHOT down fifteen enemy planes in half an hour when thirty Junkers dive-bombers, escorted by fifty Messerschmidts, attempted a surprise attack on Dover Harbour. Anti-aircraft men accounted for two more bombers.

The Dover raid was the fiercest attack yet made by Goering's airmen on Britain.

While the fifty bombers concentrated on the harbour, enemy fighters flew high far out on the flank, trying to lure our Hurricanes and Spitfires away from the enemy's main objective.

The trick failed. For, when the raiders reached the harbour, a pack of British fighters zoomed on them from the clouds.

### "That's Bent It"

Meanwhile the flank guards were brought up with a jolt by Hurricanes.

Recklessly the bombers flew through the terrific barrage set up by the anti-aircraft defenders.

Then screaming down in almost vertical power-dives they flattened out to drop their bombs.

Each plane dropped one big and four small bombs. The concussions shook houses and shattered windows all along the sea front.

I saw an anti-aircraft shell go clean through a bomber before bursting, writes a reporter.

"That's bent it," shouted the battery commander as the plane nose-dived into the sea.

A minute later a shell from the same gun blew another raider to bits.

"Drinks all round to-night," shouted the sergeant.

### Attacked Twelve

Only one British fighter is missing.

A pilot officer attacked a formation of twelve bombers flying low over the sea. After a short burst, the Hurricane pilot saw the last machine dive into the water.

A bomber was shot down in the Thames estuary.

Three women were killed when twelve high explosive and some incendiary bombs were dropped in a town in North-East England.

They are Mrs. Mary Hill, who was in the caretaker's lodge of a secondary school when the lodge was severely damaged, Mrs. Jordan, whose home was wrecked, and Miss Bousfield.

Mrs. Jordan's husband, John E. Jordan, was left hanging to an upstairs window frame when the house collapsed.

### GOOD EGG!

A chicken killed by machine-gun fire in a battle between a Nazi plane and a Spitfire in the South of England has been sold for £10 in aid of the Red Cross. Another, which is being raffled, has so far realised £4 5s. 6d. for the fund.

## LEAFLETS IN ANTWERP

The German-controlled Brussels Radio announced last night that political leaflets have been distributed among the people of Antwerp.

It was pointed out that, by German order, it is forbidden to distribute leaflets of any kind.

## CALL FOR MORE BABIES

Britain must have more babies to face "stern tasks" after the war, said the Rev. J. H. Herbert, Rector of Brierley Hill, Staffs.

"Birthdays in this country and the Empire are far too few," the Rector told Brierley Hill Rotary Club on his fifty-second birthday.

"We have to realise that in the present struggle for world supremacy everything depends on the vitality and numbers of the young people. The position of this country and the Empire is not too secure in this respect."

"It is a fact that people who, even in these days of high cost of living, can afford to have children of the right type, show a tendency not to have them."

"It is a stark fact that of all the countries now at war, Germany is the only one that can show a rise in the birth rate."

### Importance To Empire

"This has to be arrested and we, as an Empire, are specially concerned for we cannot populate the wide open spaces of Canada and Australia when we show a decline in the birth rate at home."

"After this war, we shall have to face many stern tasks. We shall suffer, especially if the war lasts long, as we did twenty years ago—from a great depletion of our best, youngest and most virile people."

"We want to impress on the minds of all those on whom will fall the responsibility that it is of the highest importance that the race is maintained in good health, in good conditions, and in sufficient numbers to be able to take its place at the council tables of the world."

Mr. Herbert has two sons and a daughter. His eldest son is in the Army.

In the last war the rector served for four years as a gunner in the artillery. He wanted to serve again in this war, but his Bishop would not release him.

## V.C. MAJOR REJOINS AS LIEUTENANT

Major Charles Geoffrey Vickers, V.C. hero in the last war at the age of twenty-one, has rejoined his old regiment, the Sherwood Foresters—as lieutenant.

Solicitor in civil life, Major Vickers was awarded the V.C. for conspicuous bravery in the Hohenzollern Redoubt.

Nearly all his men were killed or wounded, but Major Vickers held a barrier for hours against heavy German bomb attacks from front and flank.

He was severely wounded. He returned to England but later went back to France, was again wounded and mentioned in dispatches.



Brian Aherne and Josephine Hutchinson are two stars who present an eye-view of married life in "My Son, My Son!" now showing at the King's Theatre.



# CHINA MAIL

## A GENTLEMEN'S CAMPAIGN

In Sweden a national election has just been completed with an outright victory for the Social Democrats. Under normal circumstances this would have been a contest for both executive and legislative control. But under the stress of war Sweden formed last December a "National Union" Government, which has since directed the country's affairs. In this Union all four of the important parties are represented, the Conservatives, the Liberals, the Farmers, and the Labour Union Social-Democrats.

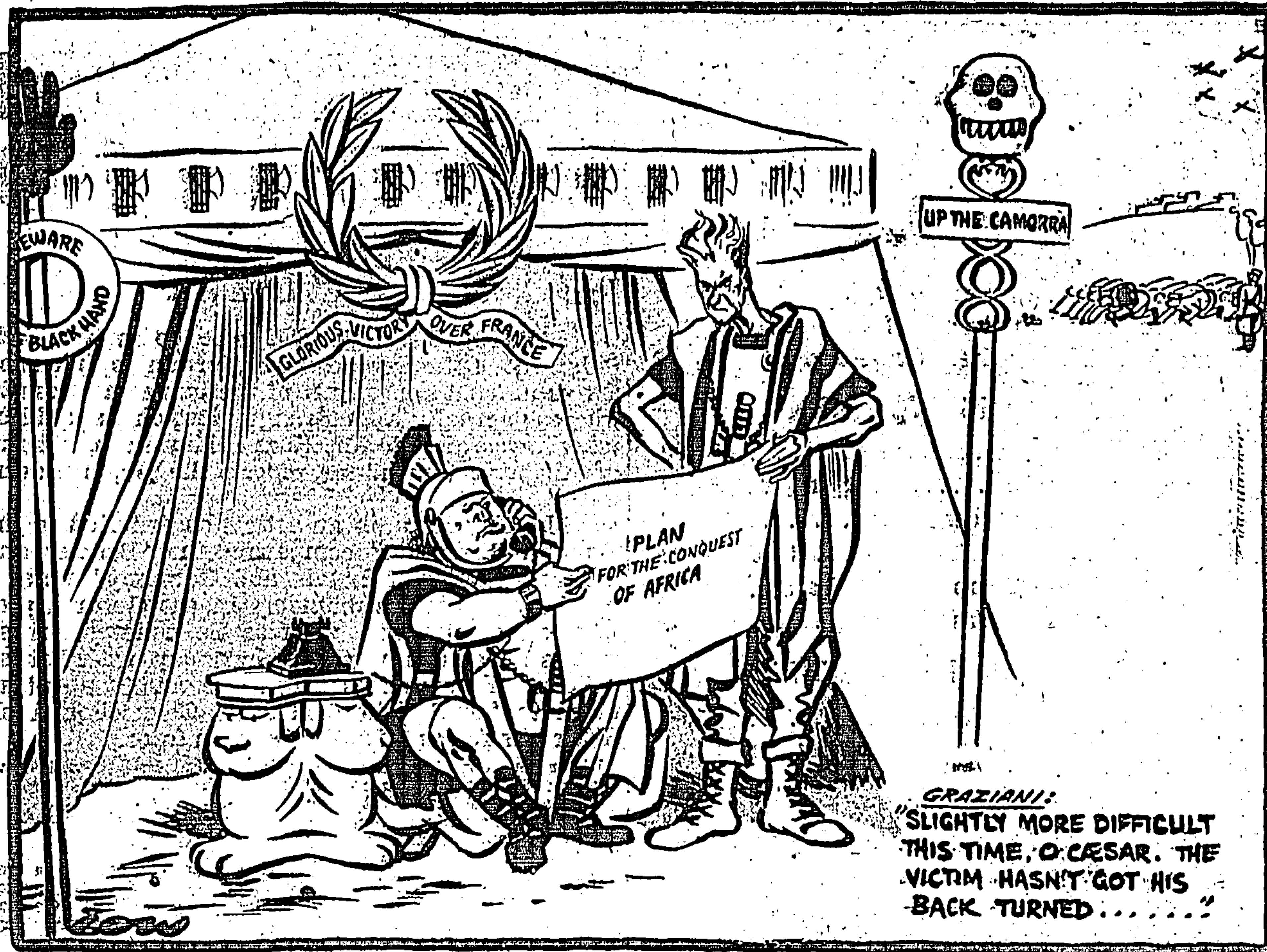
And, before the election, it was decided that no matter what the verdict of the voters, the National Union must be maintained as long as the exterior danger remains. At first some of the minority party leaders said that under such circumstances an election would be superfluous. Then they decided otherwise.

First, the Constitution said that an election should be held and this was no time for a democracy to disregard a constitution. Second, certain constitutional changes could not take effect until after an election. Third, in a democracy a legislature and government gain new moral authority from an election. Conversely, an unauthorised postponement would savour of usurpation.

The election campaign was therefore carried in Sweden, but not a regulation one. All personalities were barred, all charges of mismanagement, all innuendo, all false issues, or "red herrings," all jockeying for newspaper headlines, all election posters, all mechanical loud speakers, all propaganda films. Political radio speeches were already taboo, except a closing, round robin debate.

Only respectful, courteous, educational discussions of the different party programmes and ideologies before small audiences were permitted, thanks to an agreement among the party leaders who meet weekly face to face with the King to discuss neutrality, food supply, employment, export problems and national defence.

But why couldn't every election be conducted on these lines? Why ballyhoo and mechanical reverberations in any country? An election is a time to think and not to shout.



AFRICAN CAMPAIGN

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# The Scientist's Work In War & For Peace

Sir Richard Gregory, the eminent scientist, and well-known as the Editor of "Nature" for so many years, has gathered together some of his writing and lectures in "Religion In Science and Civilisation" (Macmillan, 12s. 6d.). In his chapter on the "Cultural Aspects of War," Sir Richard stresses that "the spiritual evolution of man has not proceeded in its upward course through war but in spite of it." He says:—

The trend of cultural achievement in the advancement of mankind has been to operate through larger and larger unities—tribe, people, nation, confederacy, eliminating war and the struggle for existence as a physical fact and relying more and more on the struggle for existence as between ideas.

In other words, in our modern civilisation, ideally speaking, it is no longer the force of arms which binds these unities together, for example, the "British Commonwealth of Nations," but the strength of an ideal or a principle.

At present the idea of democracy is struggling against that of autocracy or totalitarianism. Unfortunately, totalitarianism is wedded to the reactionary idea of nationality, which checks the advance towards the larger unities in which mankind will be united and in which war will be eliminated. In so far as the idea of war as a "pruning-hook" lends support to national theory, it is reactionary and irrelevant to the true ideal of human progress.

## A Catastrophe

It is wrong, because it ignores or misinterprets certain very essential facts, of which the chief is that beyond a certain phase the struggle for existence ceases to be a physical struggle and becomes a conflict of ideas; that is, survival is cultural. By this comes about the growth of civilisation. In this growth war is a catastrophe, comparable to a great earthquake or other convulsion of Nature, but only incidental to the development which is continually going on in all forms of life.

Even if it be conceded that use of the fighting instinct of man has promoted the strength of his body and disciplined his mind, or that it encourages supreme self-sacrifice in support of high ideals, the destruction of life in anger must degrade rather than promote whatever is divine in human nature. The spiritual evolution of man, as represented by all that is best in civilisation throughout the ages, and as inspired by the most exalted religious and ethical teachers, has not proceeded in its upward course through war but in spite of it; and it is in belief in its further development that hope may be found for the future.

It is now generally understood that modern warfare is an affair of nations, and not of military forces only—whether on land, sea or in the air. The direct effects of conflict of arms between nations can, therefore, no longer be confined to the combatant services.

Having regard to the highly technical nature of modern warfare, with its manifold contacts with and dependence upon geographical and meteorological knowledge, engineering, chemistry and chemical industry, medical science, psychology, and so on, it is obvious that men of science are closely concerned in the construction of an adequate policy of national defence as well as the formation of an adequate structure of peace. They have an important part to play, both professionally and as citizens.

## Scientists And Aggression

The association of science with war and the prostitution of scientific effort to war purposes cannot be condemned too strongly; yet few scientific workers would wish to avoid participating in adequate and effective methods of national defence, or to fail in their service to the high humanistic ideals for which science stands. Every nation has the right to decide upon its own form of government—democratic or autocratic—just as it must be left free to follow its own religious ideals. Each country has its own standards of ethical and social values,

and cannot easily recognise any other. When, however, the deliberate policy of a State is to impose its system by force upon people who wish to be free and have entirely different ideals, all believers in liberty of conscience and in the principles of natural cultural development should range themselves against such aggression.

"Judged by its policy and actions, the ideals of Nazi Socialism—apart altogether from the political aims—represent a reversion to degrading primitive instincts; and if ever they should prevail, the best characteristics of modern civilisation would be destroyed and human life become subject to the law of the jungle."

## Clubs And Arrows To Poison Gas

In his final chapter on Science and "Social Ethics" Sir Richard Gregory says:—

"Modern warfare makes no distinction between the destruction of masterpieces of architecture and ammunition dumps; and barbarous aerial bombing of any centre of life or of beauty seems to be accepted as a means of offensive action by nations which claim to be civilised. Instead of science having to save modern civilisations from being overwhelmed by barbarous hordes, it seems to have provided the means of self-destruction."

Though the standard of human values have been raised, man has advanced so little in his regard for them that he is just as much a barbarian in his use of aerial bombs and poison gas as he was when his weapons were only clubs and arrows.

Such prostitution of the rich gifts with which modern science has endowed the human race must be condemned by all who see, in the general feelings of civilised people to-day, incipient stages in the development of characteristics which distinguish man from other living creatures. The law of the jungle is that of the battle to the strong and the race to the swift.

If it recognises no right to live except by might; destroys the weak; has no sympathy with suffering, and no sense of the highest human values. In the struggle for existence man has survived because his physical structure and intelligence have enabled him individually and in communities to master the things which would destroy him.

The virtues which should be prized most to-day, if civilisation is to mean the evolution of social ethics to a noble plane, and regard for spiritual values, love of truth and beauty, righteousness, justice and mercy, sympathy with the oppressed, and belief in the brotherhood of man. Any nation or people which separates itself from the rest of the world in the name of race or religion, and cultivates ideals of conquest by force in order to assert its claims is not assisting human evolution, but retarding it.

## Cannot Be Divorced From Ethics

The view that the sole function of science is the discovery and study of natural facts and principles without regard to the social implications of the knowledge gained, cannot rightly be maintained. It is being widely realised that science cannot be divorced from ethics or rightly absolve itself from the human responsibilities in the application of its discoveries to destructive purposes in war or economic disturbances in times of peace.

Men of science cannot rightly stand aside from the social and political questions involved in the structure which has been built up from the materials provided by them, and which their discoveries may be used to destroy.

It is their duty to assist in the establishment of a rational and harmonious social order out of the welter of human conflict into which the world has been thrown through the release of uncontrolled sources of industrial production and of lethal weapons.



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## A JAPANESE VIEW

# PREMATURE TO PASS VERDICT ON WAR

JAPANESE ARE PRONE to be too hasty in their judgment of the European war, forming opinions on the superficial appearance of the immediate results, whereas actually a long-range viewpoint should be taken, according to Mr. Kazan Kayahara, veteran newspaper commentator, reports the "Japan Advertiser."

Mr. Kayahara, in an article contributed to the "Yamato Shimbun" comparing the "Policies and Military Tactics of Britain and Germany," notes a number of potential blunders in the German prosecution of the war, whereas he believes British tactics have been wholly in harmony with British policies. He expresses very large doubts about an ultimate "final victory" such as Chancellor Adolf Hitler has forecast for the German force.

His recent contribution to the "Yamato Shimbun" is translated in substance as follows: Britain, in a series, is like China. China extends over immense land areas. It can shift its troops and seat of Government to anywhere in the world. Is it really possible for Germany to win a final victory?

First of all what is meant by a final victory for Germany? Although Chancellor Hitler repeats predictions of a final victory, I am inclined to doubt him, whether he hopes to win it by aerial conquest or surprise landings.

If the King of England appeared astride a white horse before a German army commander and vowed allegiance to the Reich, surrendering all of his warships and merchant vessels and accepting any terms proposed by Germany, that would be a final victory for Germany without question.

Or even if before coming to such a pass, Britain should lose all chance of operations on the Continent, should lose all of its aeroplanes and all of its warships and should pledge friendship and co-operation with Germany, that too would be a British surrender to German might.

## German Hopes For Early Peace

"But when the European war situation is observed closely, it may be seen that not Britain but Germany is urgently hoping for an early end to the war. Chancellor Hitler's prediction of a triumph in August failed to materialise.

Britain is an old and mighty nation. It should not be viewed in the same light as France, Belgium and Holland. While Germany is concentrating on a blitzkrieg, British tactics centre on prolonging the war. These are the salient features of their military strategy. The British policy is to wait and watch Germany die of exhaustion meanwhile.

I wonder why Germany did not cross the Dover Strait in hot pursuit of the British forces fleeing from Flanders? Some may say that Germany was insufficiently prepared for such a bold adventure, but that is not the point of my discussion. Instead of crossing the Strait, Germany expended its utmost effort to conquer France. I believe that was an oversight in a clever man like Chancellor Hitler.

Chancellor Hitler must have thought that Germany would benefit from the domination of the European Continent and that British activity on the Continent was made possible only by the existence of a great country like France, which Britain could manoeuvre. He also must have thought that with France under German control the British would lose their foothold on the Continent and would be forced to ask for peace. Everything thus far has run contrary to such expectations.

Britain is fully aware of the advantages of fighting on the Continent with a great army. And the British retreat from the Belgian and French coasts was by no means a British retreat. The commander of the retreating forces was decorated by King George. That was because British tactics were changed entirely and it was decided to defend the Dover Strait with might and main to uphold the prestige of the British Isles. I should say that Britain has not forsaken the Continent at all, politically, but only left for reasons of military strategy. I firmly

believe that Britain will never forsake the Continent.

## Two Opposing Strategies

Herein lies the conflict between German and British military strategy: The quicker Germany tries to end the war, the longer Britain will try to extend it. If Britain can prolong the war it will prove British tactics are in accord with British strategy. But will Germany find its tactics agreeing in accord with its strategy?

Chancellor Hitler in a speech on July 7 called upon the British to surrender. The British only snuffed. The Chancellor's September 4 speech also advised the British to surrender—with the same result as before.

England may or may not throw up its hands under the present furious aerial assaults on London. Planes, after all, are only auxiliary fighting machines in modern warfare. Even if Germany succeeds in effecting a landing in the British Isles, it is doubtful whether that will lead to Germany's final victory, which requires agreement between German strategy and tactics. What will happen if King George takes his Government and his warships to Canada?

Japanese are too likely to be over-impressed by the results of the immediate present, but that is not necessarily wise. They should take a broader viewpoint, considering the complicated and ever-changing world situation. That is what Chancellor Hitler is doing.

## British Schools Of Thought

Chancellor Hitler is keeping a constant watch on the Soviet Union's policies in south-eastern Europe, the Near East and Central Asia. He once said he had no idea of destroying the British Empire. He might have said more specifically that he had no idea of permitting the Soviet Union to occupy British India.

Chancellor Hitler's "Mein Kampf" expressed the idea of co-operating with Britain. He wanted to prepare against the Soviet Union in co-ordination with Britain. But in England there were two entirely different schools of thought on that subject. One favoured co-operating with Germany against the Soviets, while the other wanted to cooperate with the Soviets against Germany. At present, it is intolerable to the British to see Germany in control of most of Europe, and so they are inclined to make up with the Soviets. America's recent approach to the Soviet Union runs parallel with the British policy.

Suppose the British Government moves to Canada. It is quite evident that great hunger and suffering will spread over Europe next winter. It will take 70,000,000 bushels of wheat flour to save the Belgians alone from starvation. No European country can supply that much flour, which must come from North and South America and countries outside Europe. Therein lies the vast importance of Britain's great naval strength.

## Japan-Germany

If the British Government moves to Canada, its mighty navy will join the great American navy to advance to the Pacific and secure political and economic positions for the Anglo-Saxon race in Asia. Foreign countries under estimate the real strength of Japan. Gen. Chiang Kai-shek has said



Ann Rutherford, who has a featured role in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Dancing Co-Ed," takes advantage of the studio gymnasium for a two-hour work-out before reporting to the set for her dance routines.

"Walk for health," says the starlet. Busy on the picture she finds little time for cross-country jaunts, but the "walking" machine at the gym does just as well. Ann tries to spend at least 15 minutes a day walking. It is one of the best all-round general exercises in the category of gymnastics. Tones the entire body.

# TELL THE TRUTH

"THE GOVERNMENT NEED HAVE NO FEAR IN TRUSTING THE PEOPLE OR THAT THE MORALE OF THE NATION WILL BE LOWERED BY KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUTH."

"Our morale would be upset if we became aware that the Government were not telling us the truth or that they were suppressing important facts."

"The truth, no matter how unpalatable, will stiffen the backs of 99 out of every 100 people."

—Lord Harewood at Hull.

## WOMAN SERGEANT ON BIGAMY CHARGE

Margaret Patricia Ivy Richards, twenty-one, a sergeant in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force, was charged at Kettering with bigamy. It was alleged that Richards, who appeared in court in uniform, had married at Kettering on February 7, Charles Henry Cartledge, during the life of her husband, John Edward Richards. No evidence was given and a remand was granted.

## SACRIFICE BY LANDLADY

Despite a Government appeal that they should remain in the reception areas over the school holidays, hundreds of Liverpool evacuees billeted in Caernarvonshire went to their homes. One woman had given the boy staying with her the 10s. 6d. allowed in advance for his keep so that he could thoroughly enjoy his holiday.

that Japan is too exhausted by the China incident to fight a third country, and that is the British and American belief. Britain and the United States would first place pressure against Japan.

Japan may be afraid to co-operate with Germany under those conditions and then in co-ordination with the Soviet Union. Britain and America would besiege Germany and bring Chancellor Hitler to ruin. Should that come about, it would show a great contradiction between German policies and military tactics. Moreover, it would also be disadvantageous to Japan.





Frank Morgan and Virginia Weidler get together for some real Western scenes in "Henry Goes Arizona." Other members of the cast include Ann Morris, George Murphy, Guy Kibbee and Slim Summerville.

## SKIPPER TELLS GRAF SPEE STORY IN SHANGHAI

AMONG 61 BRITISH prisoners on the German pocket battleship, the Admiral Graf Spee, at the time of her action with cruisers of the Royal Navy off South America, was Captain W. Stubbs, in command of the s.s. Doric Star, which was sunk by the raider.

Captain Stubbs, who is now in Shanghai commanding another vessel, related to the "North-China Daily News" some of his experiences while on board the warship.

The methods used by Captain Langsdorf, of the Graf Spee, who killed himself when ordered to scuttle his ship, were far different from those of the U-boat fleet, as time was given for the crews of attacked merchantmen to leave their ships and go aboard the battleship. Prisoners were well-treated on board the Graf Spee, and given such comforts as were available, according to the Captain.

He revealed how the s.s. Doric Star, of which he was in command, was intercepted by the Admiral Graf Spee while in the South Atlantic. The 10,000 ton freighter sighted the pocket battleship at 1 p.m. on December 2, and immediately sent out a general wireless message warning all ships in the vicinity. The Graf Spee ordered the Doric Star to stop, and approached to within half a mile of the helpless freighter. A boarding party was sent from the warship in launches, and the crew of the vessel was told to lower their boats and go aboard the battleship.

### Seven Shells And Torpedo

Once deserted, the Doric Star was quickly sunk. Seven heavy shells from the eleven-inch guns of the Graf Spee hit the ship, but were not sufficient to sink her. A few minutes later the final blow was given by a torpedo, and the cargo vessel was sent to the bottom. She was the sixth, and largest, to be sunk by the raider in three months of action from the outbreak of war.

Captain Stubbs told how he was given a certificate by the special boarding officer saying that his ship had been sunk by the Admiral Graf Spee. As the skipper put it, "This was sort of a receipt for my ship." Aboard the warship the crew of the Doric Star found a large number of British seamen from other tor-

pedoed vessels, all of whom had been captured in the same way.

Captain Langsdorf, of the Admiral Graf Spee, treated his prisoners well according to Captain Stubbs. He permitted them the run of the ship, with certain obvious restrictions, and the crew of the warship were friendly, not molesting the Britons during their captivity. The food they received was the same as that of the Germans, although it "was not appetising." Captain Stubbs was on the Graf Spee for twelve days, from December 2 to December 14, when the ship took refuge in Montevideo after a running fight with three British cruisers.

The two German sailors detailed to watch the prisoners were most friendly, he stated, spending much of their time trying to learn English from the Britons. On one occasion a number of the prisoners told the boarding officer that the only pack of playing cards they had was so greasy as to be unusable, and asked him to get them a new deck from the next ship captured by the raider. Shortly afterwards a new pack of cards appeared, with the compliments of the officer.

### Prisoners Locked Up

When the Graf Spee was sighted by the Ajax, a British cruiser, and the famous River Plate action began, the prisoners were immediately locked up in two cabins, stated the captain, and were therefore unable to follow the course of the battle. They felt the German ship hit by British shells, however, although they could not find out how much damage was done. Immediately the warship entered Montevideo for refuge, the Britons were released, and sent ashore.

At the time of the action the Graf Spee had 61 British seamen on board, most of them being in the Merchant marine. All the lesser ratings were taken off earlier by the Albatross, which

## EX-QUEEN BACK IN FRANCE

Ex-Queen Amelie of Portugal has returned from Lisbon to her home in Versailles, France, from whence she fled twenty-four hours before the Germans occupied Paris. —Associated Press.

## FRANCE WILL COME BACK

"France will come back. You will see," declared Mme Pons, mother of the film star and opera singer, before she left Lisbon to join her daughter in America.

"I came to Lisbon two days ago from my country home near Avignon, where I have been staying with my other daughter," she said. "We saw many Germans in unoccupied France. Two weeks ago, in Avignon, I saw a commotion in the market-place, with gendarmes clearing a passage for sixteen smart limousines. In them were elegantly dressed monocled German staff officers. The French country folk crowded around gaping. I was furious, and would have liked to tell them all to go home and not stand there looking at the invaders."

"Recently Germans came to a small macaroni factory near our home and wanted to buy ten tons. The manager said he had only five tons in stock. He was told he had 48 hours in which to produce the ten tons."

### Life In France

From Cerbere, on the Franco-Spanish frontier comes another account of life in France.

"I sit on a cafe terrace overlooking the harbour," writes an Englishman. "A few minutes ago I asked the waiter to bring me something to eat. He shrugged his shoulders and asked 'Monsieur has ration cards?' 'No,' I told him. Another shrug. 'Then,' I regret monsieur can have no food. We have only a small ration for ourselves. Since this Government came we have no butter, no sugar, no meat."

"As I watched the people passing I noticed that none of the women used make-up. It is now forbidden—in France, of all countries, which has sent powder and lipstick all over the world. Women cannot now buy wine or any other alcoholic drink in a cafe or restaurant unless they have a man companion."

## AMERICAN GETS M.M.

The first American serving with the British Army to be decorated in this war did not bother to mention that he had won the M.M. when he wrote to his mother—but he is proud of his lance-corporal's stripe.

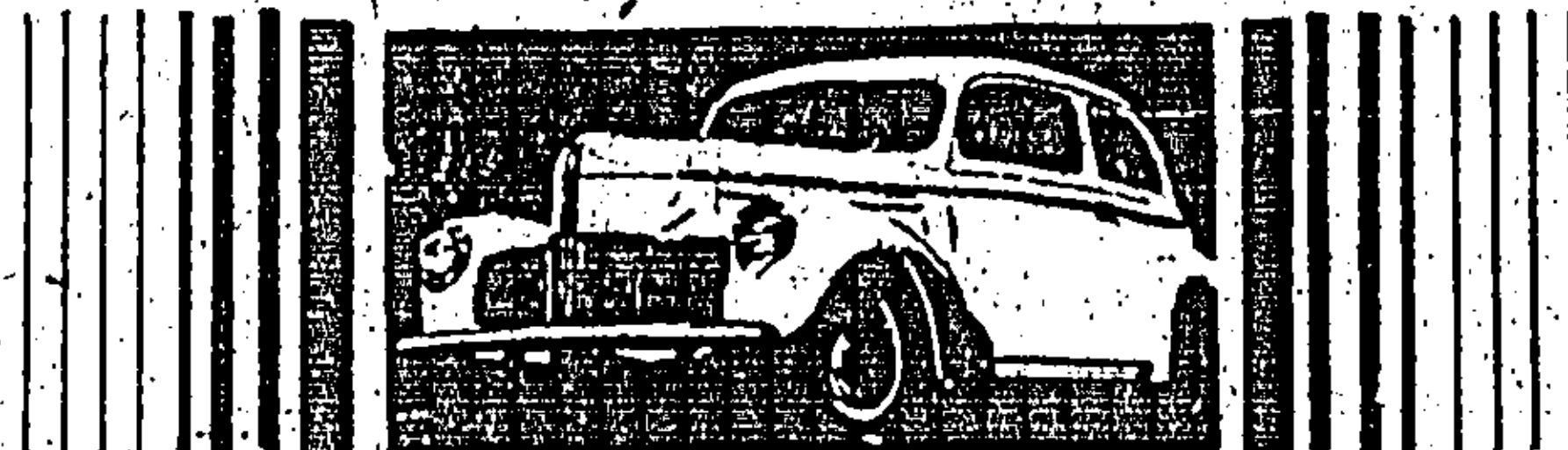
He is Lance Corporal Harold Arthur Sims, of the Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards, who has been awarded the Military Medal for gallantry under fire at Dunkirk, where as a trooper he served as wireless operator and gunner in a tank. It is announced.

His grandfather, Admiral W. Sowden Sims, commanded the U.S. Fleet in European waters during the last war. His father was a commander in the U.S. Navy. Sims was born in Britain but has never adopted British nationality. His mother lives at Mollis, Suffolk.

kept a rendezvous with the raider off South America. An idea of the tremendous distances covered by the Graf Spee in brief is shown by the fact that shortly before the sinking of the Doric Star in the South Atlantic a small vessel was destroyed in the Indian Ocean, off the coast of Africa.

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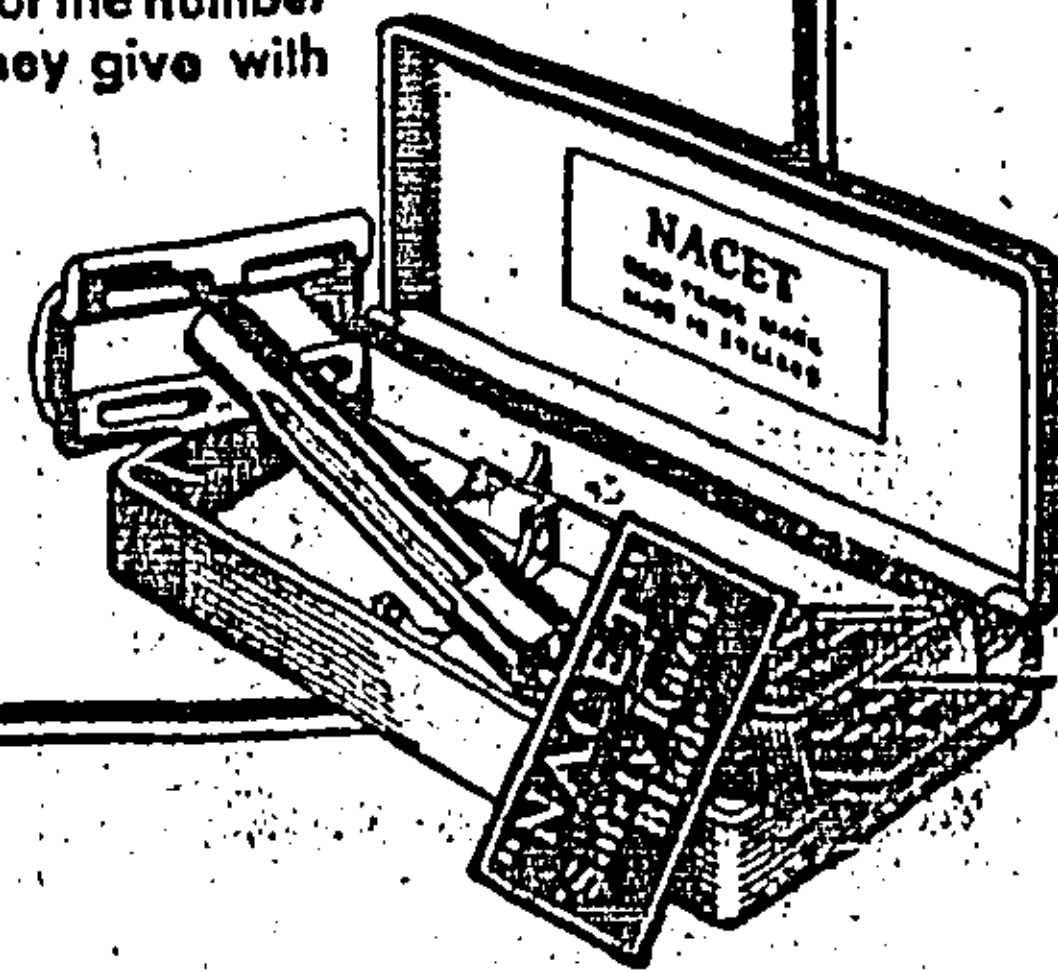
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27th September, 1940

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(By The Four Aces)

BRIDGE SWINDLES—NO. 7

A little thing like losing every finesse may bother ordinary Bridge players but not the accomplished Bridge swindler. He knows that there are more ways than one of killing the proverbial cat. For example:

South, Dealer  
Both sides vulnerable  
♠ 10 3  
♥ Q 10 9 3  
♦ 10 6 2  
♣ A J 9 5  
♠ K 9 8 6 2  
♥ 6  
♦ A K 7 3  
♣ 8 4 2  
N  
E  
S  
W  
♠ A Q J 5  
♥ A K J 8 4  
♦ Q 8  
♣ Q 10

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♥ 1♠ 12♥ Pass  
4♥ Pass Pass Pass

West led the diamond King and continued the suit, South ruffing the third round.

Declarer next drew three rounds of trumps and then made the key play of the hand. Can you see what that play was?

South simply led the five of spades from his own hand. There was no point in taking the ordinary finesse since the bidding located the spade King in the West hand; but the point of the low spade lead was that West might be caught asleep at the switch.

As it happened, West didn't think much about the play but just saw low spades and ducked automatically, planning to let his partner win the first spade. Naturally, dummy's spade ten won the trick, and South then took the spade Ace and pushed the spade Queen through West's King.

South thus demonstrated that losing finesses don't always mean losing tricks.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner, and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ K Q 10 5 3  
♥ 8  
♦ 7  
♣ A Q J 9 8 3

The bidding:  
You Moler Jacoby Schenken  
1♠ Pass 1♥ Pass  
1♠ Pass 2♥ Pass  
2♠ Pass 3♥ Pass  
(?)

ANSWER:—Pass. You have shown your distribution and if your partner still insists on a heart contract you must defer to his judgment. The big point is that he knows your hand, but you don't know his.

Score 100% for pass, 20% for three spades or four clubs, 0 for any other bid.

### QUESTION NO. 627

To-day you are Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ A Q 7 3  
♥ A 6 4 2  
♦ A 10 8 4  
♣ K 2

The bidding:  
Schenken Jacoby Von Durastone  
1♠ Pass (?)  
What do you bid? (Answer Monday).

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## LAND NOT PLOUGHED

William G. Lilley, a farmer, of Appleby, was summoned at Ashby police court for not ploughing up land at that village when ordered to do so.

Prosecution was by the Ministry of Agriculture. It was stated Lilley was ordered to plough up six acres. He refused to do so.

The Bench said that Lilley, who was an educated man, had acted very stupidly. He was fined 25 guineas and 21 lbs. 6d. costs.

## TRIPLE MURDER—WOMAN'S "I DIDN'T DO IT"

FLORENCE IRIS QUIDA RANSOM, thirty-four, of Carramore Farm, Piddington, Bicester, Oxon, was charged at Tonbridge (Kent) with the murder, at Breckley on July 19, of Dorothy Sanders Fisher, Freda Ann Fisher and Charlotte Saunders.

The woman, who was wearing a grey costume with a blue pull-over, sat throughout the short hearing with her head against the wall of a woman police official, who supported her with her arms round her shoulder in the dock.

Detective Inspector Smeed said: "At 3 p.m. yesterday, with Chief Inspector Beveridge of the Metropolitan Police, I saw the prisoner in Tonbridge police station. We were both known to her. I said to her: 'On the night of July 19, at Critterden, Matfield, I saw the bodies of Dorothy Fisher, Freda Fisher and Charlotte Saunders.'

"As the result of inquiries I am now going to charge you with murdering these women."

"I cautioned her and she said: 'I didn't do it.'"

The Inspector added that when he formally charged her with the murder of Dorothy Sanders Fisher she replied: "I didn't do it. I didn't do it. How could I?"

### "No, No"

When he charged her with the murder of Freda Fisher she replied: "No, no." She made no reply when charged with the murder of Charlotte Saunders.

Superintendent W. C. Cook, of Tonbridge, asked on that evidence for a remand.

When the clerk asked her if she wished to ask the police witness any questions Ransom replied in a whisper, "No." She shook her head and murmured "Nothing" when asked if she had anything to say regarding the application for remand.

She was helped from the dock and walked slowly from the court.

At the inquest, Walter Lawrence Fisher identified Dorothy Sanders Fisher as his wife, aged forty-eight, Freda Ann Fisher, as his daughter, aged twenty, and Charlotte Saunders, single, aged forty-six, domestic servant.]



The honeymoon is over when the starry-eyed bride realises she has fed the groom soapflakes instead of cornflakes once too often.

## NO REFUSAL OF STATE WORK

Persons convicted of refusing to go to jobs as directed by the Ministry of Labour and National Service may in future be disqualified from receiving unemployment benefit for six weeks.

This is the effect of new regulations which have been made to bring the unemployment insurance provisions into line with the Emergency Powers Defence Act.

Under the Defence Act the Ministry may direct any person to perform any services anywhere.

Employment on work of national importance and at standard rates and conditions will not in future be regarded as unsuitable merely because the worker previously had wages or conditions more favourable than the standard, or where the worker has been unemployed for at least a fortnight, because the employment is not in his usual occupation.

Men who refuse to enter an approved training course will also have their benefit stopped for six weeks.

## CRIME NOT TO GROW FOOD

"If I were a dictator I would, as a wartime measure, make it a penal offence for people not to be growing something, even if only parsley in a flower pot."

Sir John Boyd Orr, nutrition expert, said this when he stressed in Edinburgh the need for simple diet and home food production.

"The most important part of the whole campaign is the allotment gardens scheme," said Sir John.

## OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



"He doesn't know the answer—he's just fibbing!"

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## Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

## British Housewives' New War Job

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Each recruit in this vast women's army is pledged to be "Up and At 'Em" — by saving every scrap of raw material that can be turned into war material. At this time of increased pressure on shipping millions of tons of space a year can thus be saved for these essential British imports from overseas.

There is no need to stress the importance of their service. Its value may be gauged from the fact that one small London district is already making a hundred pounds a week from the sale of household waste for pig food.

This is only one of five groups of materials which can be saved in the national interest. The others are paper, bones, rags and metal. Uninspiring weapons with which to wage a crusade, which will be wielded nevertheless with enthusiasm.

First operation in the campaign was a march to those corners of every home where lumber is kept. Every housewife knows the strange assortment of small objects she keeps because they may one day be useful. The accumulations of twelve million homes represented vast treasure trove.

It had to be collected, sorted and got to the factories to be turned into war material with the least possible delay. So every town, every village throughout

## Boom Town Girl



In all frontiers, there must be singing, dancing girls with lovely figures and startling beauty to entertain those who toil. Marlon Martin, former Follies and Scandals star, plays just such an entertainer in "Boom Town."

By

Iris Carpenter

the country made a battalion of itself to get on with the job, competing with each other in the speed with which they could complete it.

A town in Kent had its ten thousand houses cleared and the material delivered to the factories in less than a week.

This is how they did it.

One housewife in every street called on all the others. She made a list of those who would want help in the sorting of their lumber. Those with small children had not time perhaps to give a whole morning to turning out every cupboard in the house. Another list was made of those with time enough to give help to others. Working parties were grouped together. These went from house to house, sorting cupboards, the attic, garage, even garden sheds. All salvage was sorted carefully to its proper group. Then carried out to lorries and driven direct to factories waiting to deal with it.

Women in another town enlisted the help of small boys to help with the loading. They borrowed cars and lorries. Drove them up and down the roads. One lorry loaded four tons of scrap metal in less than an hour!

A London Borough asked everyone to hunt out their scrap metal and put it on the pavement outside their homes for collection.

Next day the streets presented an extraordinary sight. Outside each house was an incredible assortment of objects. There were beds, baths, palls, old bicycles, prams, lawn mowers, garden railings, children's toys. Even hair curlers and lipstick cases were to be seen, destined for transformation into guns, tanks and aeroplanes.

It must not be imagined, however, that this campaign to turn raw material into war material is a mere skirmish, to be settled by one onslaught on household "junk." Each recruit has helped to launch the first attack with the donation of her home's reserves. She is preparing now a blockade of daily vigilance. Regarding her home as a battle position which waste must not be allowed to leave unless marshalled in the national interest.

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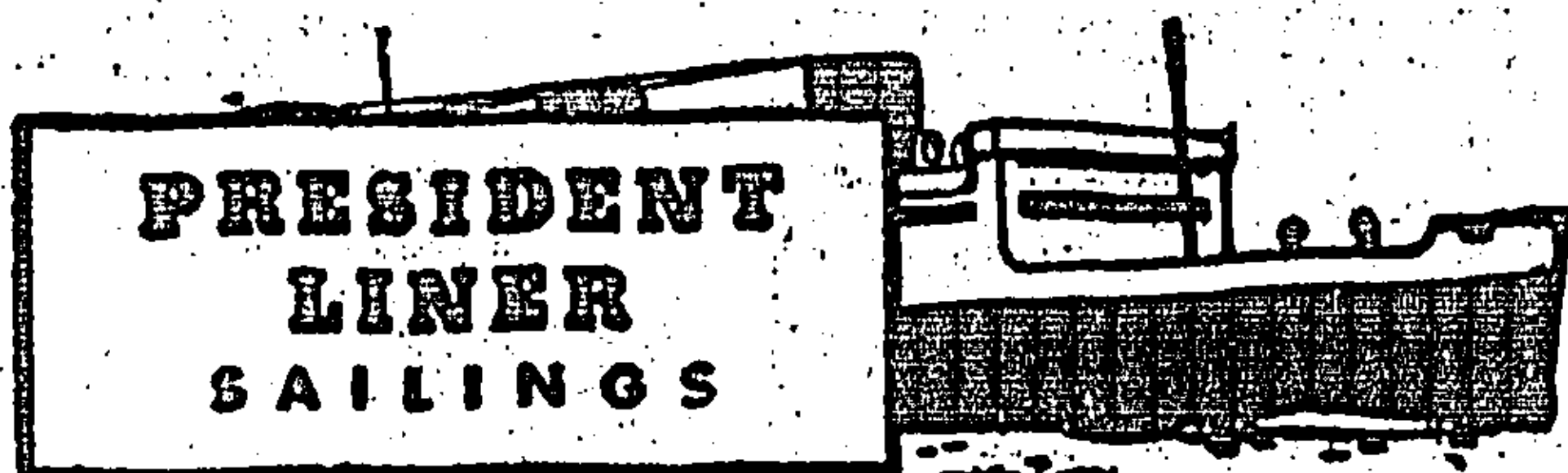
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SUNDAY	
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MONDAY	
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FOR DATE & TIME

OUTWARD MAILS	
SATURDAY	
Manila, Ceylon, India and Cape Town	5.30 p.m.
MONDAY	
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Service" to connect at Singapore.	
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
Reg.	10.00 a.m.
Ord.	10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	10.30 a.m.
Parcels	11.30 a.m.
Letters	11.30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY	
Sandakan	1.00 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	K.P.O.
Reg.	2.45 p.m.
Ord.	3.30 p.m.
G.P.O.	
Reg.	2.45 p.m.
Ord.	3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco (No Mail for Canada)	K.P.O.
Parcels	4.00 p.m.
Reg.	5.00 p.m.
Ord.	5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.	
Parcels	4.00 p.m.
Reg.	5.00 p.m.
Ord.	7.00 p.m.
FRIDAY	
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Par.	(3/10) 5.00 p.m.
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Ord.	(4/10) 10.30 a.m.
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## TO-DAY'S WIRELESS

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.	4
12.30 p.m.—Peter Dawson in a Military Band Concert.	25
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.	2
1.03 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.	
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.	
1.45 p.m.—Dance Music by Billy Cotton's Band.	
2.15 p.m.—Close down.	
8.00 p.m.—Gounod's "Faust"—Act III.	
8.50 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.	
8.52 p.m.—Brahms—Variations on a Theme of Paganini.	
7.00 p.m.—Studio-Talk by H. K. Woo on Confucius.	
7.20 p.m.—Light Orchestral Selections.	
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.	
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.	
8.02 p.m.—Gershwin—An American in Paris.	
8.20 p.m.—Ambrose and His Orchestra.	
8.45 p.m.—London Relay—London Log.	
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.	
9.30 p.m.—Selections from "The Pirates of Penzance".	
9.55 p.m.—New Variety, with Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch, Dorothy Lamour, Moon and Bentley, Leslie Hutchinson, Accordeoniste Alexander et son orchestre, Tino Rossi, Rawicz and Landauer, Carroll Gibbons, Mary Healy, and Turner Layton.	
11.00 p.m.—Dance Music, with Dorsey Bros. and their Orchestra, Jack Harris' Orchestra, Victor Silvester and his Ballroom Orchestra, Billy Cotton's Band, Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro, Louis Armstrong's Orchestra, Eugene Wolf and his Orchestra, Larry Clinton's Orchestra, and Joe Daniels and his Drumsticks.	
12 midnight—Close down.	

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Orders by Colonel H. B. Rose, M.C., Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Hong Kong.  
Friday, 27th September, 1940.

## PARADES

(a) CORP ARTILLERY.  
I. Dress For All Day Training For All Other Ranks - Coast Defence Batteries.

As usual. Bayonet frogs to be brought.

II. Gas Course  
Mon. 30th Sept. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Those already detailed.

Wed. 2nd Oct. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Those already detailed.

III. 1st Battery  
Tues. 1st Oct. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. L. G. Class. Muffi.

Thurs. 3rd Oct. H. Q. 8.00 a.m. for D'Aguliar.

IV. 2nd Battery  
Tues. 1st Oct. No parade.

Thurs. 3rd Oct. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Inspection of kit, equipment and publications. Every member of the Battery must attend this parade bringing with him all articles including drill and equipment books with which he has been issued.

Dress—Muffi.

Sat. 5th Oct. H. Q. 2.15 p.m. Week-end training at Bluff Head. Knife, fork and spoon, plate and mug must be brought, also greatcoat.

Advance Party as under will parade at H.Q. at 10 a.m.—B.Q.M.S. Andrews, Gnr. Oliver, Spitsky, Blake, Flosand, Stakland and Quie.

V. 3rd Battery  
Thurs. 3rd Oct. H.Q. 8.00 a.m. for Aberdeen.

VI. 4th Battery  
Tues. 1st Oct. H. Q. 8.00 a.m. for Pak Sha Wan.

Thurs. 3rd Oct. D.E.L. School. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Recruits.

Sat. 5th Oct. H.Q. 2.30 p.m. Week-end training at Pak Sha Wan. Knife, fork and spoon, plate and mug must be brought, also greatcoat.

VII. 5th A.A. Battery  
Sat. 28th Sept. H. Q. 2.30 p.m. Week-end training. Dress, etc. as previous week-end training.

Tues. 1st Oct. No. 2 Section. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Lewis Gun Course. Dress—Muffi.

Fri. 4th Oct. No. 1 Section. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Lewis Gun Course. Dress—Muffi.

(b) FIELD COMPANY ENGINEERS  
Mon. 30th Sept. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Musketry and Arms Drill.

Thurs. 3rd Oct. K.C.R. 8.30 a.m. Those detailed. Road Recon and Compass Survey in New Territories.

Remainder. K.C.R. Technical Training. Dress as usual.

Sun. 29th Sept. There will be no Map Reading Exercise.

Mon. 30th Sept. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. (i) Line & Operating Section: Semaphore. (ii) D/R Section: Buzzer Reading practice.

Wed. 2nd Oct. H.Q. 2.00 p.m. (i) Advanced Class: Field Signalling Exercise. (ii) Remainder: Signal Training at H. Q. (iii) Evening

parade. Lecture on Island Communications.

Fri. 4th Oct. H. Q. 2.00 p.m. (i) W/T Detach. Training at Victoria Barracks. (ii) Line Detach. Signal Training under own Commanders. (Lamp, Signalling, and Telescope). (iii) D/R Section: Field Signalling Exercise. (iv) Evening Parade: Advanced Class—Map Reading Lecture. Remainder—Morse Flag.

(d) MOBILE COLUMN  
I. Sunday 29th Sept.—All Platoons. Kowloon City Range. 8.30 a.m. Dress—Shirts, Trousers K.D. Topees, Black Boots. Equipment—Drill Order.

II. Wed. 2nd Oct.—All Platoons. Hung Hom. 8.00 a.m. Tactical Exercises—New Territories. Dress: Nos. 1 & 2 (Armd. C.) Pl.—Battle Order—Overalls. Remainder—Battle Order, less Steel Helmets; Topees will be worn.

Duties—Nos. 3, 4 & 5 (M.M.G.). Pl. Orderly Sergeant—Sgt. Hopkins, H.F. Orderly Corporal—Cpl. Mitchell, K.

Duty Section—No. 6. Parade at 07.30 hours.

III. Fri. 4th Oct.—Nos. 1 & 2 (Armd. C.) Pl.  
H. Q. 5.30 p.m. L. G. Training. Nos. 3, 4 & 5 (M.M.G.) Pl.  
H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Map Reading & Message Writing.

No. 6 Platoon.  
H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Stoppages.

(e) NO. 1 COMPANY  
Mon. 30th Sept. H. Q. 8.30 a.m. as usual. Part I M.G. Course and Field Exercise.

Tues. 1st Oct. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Nos. 1, 2, 3 & 4 Pls.—L.G. Training. Recruits—L. A. revision.

Fri. 4th Oct. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. Casuals Part I M.G. Course.

Fri. 4th Oct. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Nos. 1, 2 & 3 Pls.—Cmdrs. arrangements. No. 4 Pl.—L. G. Training. Recruits—Points B.D.A.

Sun. 6th Oct. Queen's Pier. 8.00 a.m. Kowloon Pier—8.15 a.m. Part II M. G. Course. Stonecutters.

(f) NO. 2 COMPANY  
Tues. 1st Oct. Kowloon Dock. 5.30 p.m. No. 6 Platoon.

Wed. 2nd Oct. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Company Parade.

Fri. 4th Oct. Field Day. No. 6 Platoon and Kowloon recruits at K.C.R. Station—8 a.m. Remainder at H.Q.—7.30 a.m. Dress as for normal field day with slings & frogs.

Orderly Sergeant. Sgt. Swan. 27.9.40/4.10.40.

No. 3 Company  
Sun. 29th Sept. M.G. Part II for Nos. 9 and 10 Platoons and those detailed from No. 11 Platoon. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.00 a.m., calling at Kowloon Police Pier at 8.10 a.m. Dress—helmets, shirts, shorts; Equipment—less haversack and waterbottle.

Mon. 30th Sept. H.Q. 8.30 a.m. Dress as before. No. 9 Platoon—frogs and sidearms.

Wed. 2nd Oct. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s class.

Thurs. 3rd Oct. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Company Parade.

No. 4 Company  
Mon. 30th Sept.: (i) Classes 1 and 2. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Miniature Range. (ii) Remainder. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Musketry, Squad and Arms Drill.

Wed. 2nd Oct. H.Q. 8.15 a.m. All Day Training. Battle Order. Helmets will be worn.

Fri. 4th Oct.: (i) Classes 9 and 10. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Miniature Range. (ii) Remainder. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Musketry.

Sat. 5th Oct. No. 15 Platoon only. H.Q. 2.30 p.m. Weed-end Manning. Dress as per platoon circular.

No. 5 Company  
Mon. 30th Sept. No parade.

Tues. 1st Oct. H.Q.: (i) Last week's squads. 5.00 p.m. M.G. Part I. (ii) Remainder. 5.30 p.m. L.A. (iii) L.G. Sections. 5.30 p.m. Elementary Handling. Duties of No. 1 and 2. Part I.

Fri. 4th Oct. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.s. Class—E.G.D.

No. 6 Company  
Tues. 1st Oct. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.s. Class—Map Reading.

Fri. 4th Oct. H.Q. 8.00 a.m. Dress—as before.

No. 7 Company  
Mon. 30th Sept. H.Q. 5.45 p.m. L.G. and Rifle Instruction as detailed. L.G. Nos. 1 and 2's. Revolver Instruction.

Fri. 4th Oct. H.Q. 8.00 a.m. Field Training. Dress—Fighting Order—helmets.

Army Service Corps Company  
Sun. 29th Sept. to Sat. 5th Oct. inclusive. Transport and supplies Sections for duty as detailed under unit arrangements. Section training programmes to C.S.M.

Thurs. 3rd Oct. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Whole Company. L.M.G.—Revision—Care and cleaning. Points during and after. Elementary handling. S.A.T. Rifle. Individual fire discipline training. Section fire discipline. Dress—Overalls, S.D. Cap. Brown or black shoes. C.S.M. will arrange to draw stores. Duty sections will receive instructions from C.S.M.

Duty officer for week—Capt. Strellett. The officer detailed for the week, infuture will parade in uniform and will inspect duty sections daily. All officers should make themselves fully acquainted with the work carried out by the Company in connection with the Corps transport and ration supply.

Sun. 6th Oct. Kowloon City "B" Range. 9.00 a.m. L.M.G. Classification. Those detailed. Dress—Shirt, shorts, helmet, boots, puttees, hosetops, belt. Duty officer—Capt. Davies. Duty N.C.O.—Cpl. Sugars.

Field Ambulance  
Tues. 1st Oct. H.Q. 9.00 a.m. Right Section under Lt. Stout.

Wed. 2nd Oct. H.Q. 9.00 a.m. Centre Section under Lt. Rodrigues.

Thurs. 3rd Oct. H.Q. 9.00 a.m. Left Section under Lt. Balean.

Dress—As for usual weekly training.

Pay Section  
Wed. 2nd Oct. H.Q. 2.30 p.m. Dress—Muffi. Overalls and Rifles will be drawn.

Fri. 4th Oct. Garrison School. 2.15 p.m. Dress—Shirt, shorts, boots, puttees, hosetops, S.D. cap, web belt, respirator. Kit bag with remainder of kit will be brought.

Fortress Signal Company  
Mon. 30th Sept. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L.G. Recapitulation.

Tues. 1st Oct. Exchange Bldg. 5.30 p.m. Comm. Equipment. Practical Work.

Thurs. 3rd Oct. Exchange Bldg. 5.30 p.m. Comm. Equipment. Practical Work.

Fri. 4th Oct. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L.G. Immediate Action Lesson IX.

APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS  
Spr. K. L. Hu, to be L/Cpl.; L/Cpl. N. Vagarsoff, to be Cpl.; Sgt. R. Leigh, to be C.Q.M.S.; Cpl. S. K. Luk, to be Pte.; Cpl. C. O. Baptista, to be Pte.; Pte. W. R. Brumwell, to be A/Sgt.; Sgt. A. L. Cole, to be Pte.

LEAVE  
Pte. J. B. Wood, 30.8.40-29.9.41; Dmr. W. R. Forsyth, 11.9.40-15.10.40; Gnr. E. W. Ralton, 22.9.40-6.10.40; Sgt. L. J. Cave, 23.9.40-6.10.40; Pte. S. K. Luk, 23.9.40-13.10.40; Pte. C. C. Stark, 25.9.40-24.9.41; Gnr. F. T. Chung, 26.9.40-28.9.40; Pte. W. Lowe, 26.9.40-30.9.40; Pte. G. Campbell, 30.9.40-15.10.40; Pte. T. A. Mador, 1.10.40-30.10.40; Sigm. W. J. Richards, 4.10.40-31.10.40; Gnr. J. F. Burford, 15.10.40-7.11.40.

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E. N. THURSBY, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. NOTICES.  
Cricket. Unit representatives will attend a meeting at H.Q. on Monday, 30th September at 5.30 p.m. to discuss Volunteer Cricket. Inter-Unit Bowls Competition. It is proposed to hold an inter-unit bowls competition, for which a cup has been offered. Unit commanders are requested to nominate a member of their company to discuss the project, at a meeting to be held under the chairmanship of the Corps Sports Officer in the lecture room, on Tuesday, October 1st at 5.30 p.m. Sergeants' Mess. Any member of the Sergeants' Mess who wishes to compete in a swimming match, Officers v Sergeants, on October 12th, please inform Sergt. J. Bailey, Field Company Engineers as soon as possible.

AFFILIATED UNIT NURSING DETACHMENT, H.K.V.D.C.  
Practical Class. Mon. 30th Sept. St. John's Cathedral Hall. 5.30 p.m. Rehearsal for Entertainment. Fri. 4th Oct. St. John's Cathedral Hall. 5.30 p.m. Attachment. The under-mentioned was attached to Military Hospital, Hong Kong for training during the period shown:—Mrs. W. J. L. Smith, 16-23.9.40. Leave. Mrs. E. M. Philippens, 16.9.40-6.10.40. Sgd. Mrs. I. M. S. BRAUDE, Commandants, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

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# Good Game Expected From Meeting Between Navy And Middlesex

## ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

AT Boundary Street on Tuesday Middlesex Regt played the Police in a friendly and won by 3 goals to 1.

The goal scorers, were Sheehan (2) and Dunn (1). Sgt Crowley the Army player was in form and proved strong opposition to the Police who had a hard time of it trying to get past him. The Police centre-half played a fine game and was best Police player on the field.

On Wednesday at Shamshuipo HQ Coy 2 XI of the Middies played the Royal Air Force and beat them 4-0. On Sunday HQ Coy 1st XI will entertain

**Hockey** HQ Coy of the Scots at Shamshuipo; bully of 4.30 p.m.

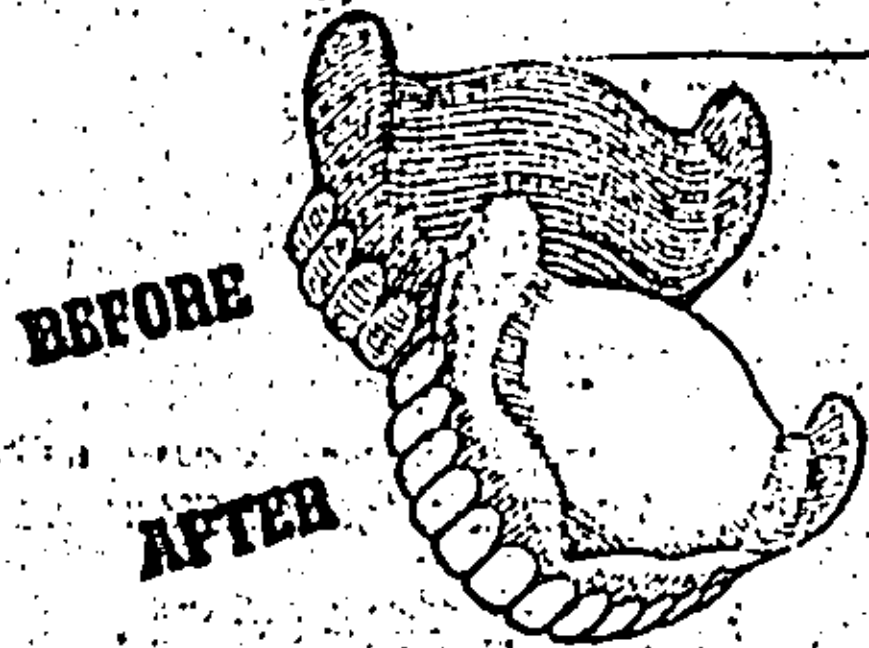
At Sookunpoo on Wednesday the Service Corps played "D" Company of the Royal Scots and lost by 2 goals to nil. Sgt Jones in goal for the losers was not to blame for their defeat, and played a brilliant game. L/Cpl Sheridan and Sgt Reed (Pay Corps) were stalwarts in the defence, and were unlucky not to be able to stop the Scots from getting through on both occasions. Gothard a newcomer to the Corps team played his first game and with a little tuition will make an excellent player. S/Sgt Williams was unable to get going, which I think was due to the grass being too long. Hitchcott of the Scots was playing and is an old hand at the game; he represented the Army last season and travelled with them to Singapore.

The draw for the Departmental Corps League which is being played on a half league basis is now at hand and here are the fixtures:—Matches to be played off before:—

18th OCTOBER	R.A.S.C. v Signals
	R.A.O.C. v R.A.F.
24th OCTOBER	Signals v R.A.M.C.
	R.A.F. v R.A.S.C.
1st NOVEMBER	R.A.M.C. v R.A.O.C.
	Signals v R.A.F.
8th NOVEMBER	R.A.S.C. v R.A.O.C.
	R.A.F. v R.A.M.C.
15th NOVEMBER	R.A.O.C. v Signals
	R.A.M.C. v R.A.S.C.

IN the semi-final of the bottom half of the Water-Polo competition the Hong Kong Signals beat the 8th Hvy. Regt., R.A., by 6 goals to 1, last Tuesday. The

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## SAPPERS PLAYING SOFTBALL

By "Grandstand"

Playing their first softball game to-morrow, Royal Engineers will take on the South China Baseball team, in a friendly encounter, mainly for the purpose of selecting their team for the coming season.

The Sappers have been holding try-outs lately but are still unable to decide on a pitcher. It is more or less certain that their baseball squad will take on the other positions in view of their knowledge of baseball, which is almost identical to softball.

From their present baseball pitching staff, they have George Denyer, who should be able to adapt himself to hurling a softball in no time. Besides him, they have a number of men who have a natural ability in pitching a softball, but are handicapped by their lack of knowledge of the game. However everybody must start sometime and here's wishing them luck!

### Two Teams

Manager Wally Welford hopes to be able to turn up with enough men to form two teams, if he hope that the South China team will accommodate them with a double-header, by taking on both teams. He will, however start with his regular baseball line-up, which will include the battery of Denyer and Fox. Holding first sack will be Shaw, whilst playing-manager Welford will be bearing down at second base. In charge of the hot-corner will be Ings, whilst Foley will be in the short-stop spot. The gardeners have not yet been decided upon but will be chosen from Taylor, Wells, Heath, Wilkis and McIlwraith.

Although possessing sufficient talent to form a fairly strong team, South China are still undecided whether or not to join the League. This hesitancy on their part is presumably based on their intention to carry on baseball training during the com-

## STANLEY MOHAWKS MAKE BASEBALL DEBUT TO-DAY

By "Grandstand"

SLATED TO START at 3.30 this afternoon, the Stanley Mohawks will clash with the South China baseball nine in a friendly tussle, which should prove more than interesting, in that the Mohawks, recently-formed team from American residents of Stanley, have not been seen in action here.

Notwithstanding the fact that they completed their League fixtures two months ago, the South China squad have been training since, under the capable coaching of that grand old man, Grandpop Leling, and the Chinese aggregation should be able to put up a good fight against their vastly superior opponents, some of whom are rumoured to have played semi-pro ball back in the States, whilst all the others have at some time or other played college baseball, which compares favourably with local standards.

### S. China Team

The South China team will probably start K. P. Lau on the mound with either Bob Law or Harry Chinn at the receiving end. Lau has not turned out on his team for the last few months, South China having had to depend on the Chung Hwa ace hurler, Bill Chang, to help them out of difficulties. Lau has nothing on the ball, but possesses good change of pace, which should be able to account for top-heavy sluggers with good holding behind him. Hindsnatcher, Bob Law, making his initial League appearance this year, has not yet mastered his peg to second, which is all-important, while

## S. China Confident Of Beating Kowloon F.C.

By "Referee"

A FULL PROGRAMME of football matches will be played this week-end, though the best First Division games are down for decision on Sunday.

Navy, one of the most improved teams in the Senior League, are at home to Middlesex and here a good game should be witnessed as both sides are known for their clean play.

South China strengthened by the return of Chan Tak-fai, Lau Hing-choi and Lau Chung-sung are confident of collecting both points from Kowloon, who are not particularly rich in talent this season.

St. Joseph's are fielding an experimental team against Club who have been strengthened by Rietsen, formerly of Kowloon.

Club are expected to win owing to their better forward line.

Navy Juniors, who were recently admitted to Second Division vice Eastern, are reported to be as strong as their seniors; they meet Middlesex in Second Division. Middlesex have a well-balanced team and this game should be worth watching.

ing winter in preparation for a more successful season next year, and, while this decision is admirable, they will probably find that the shortage of teams to play them during the winter will be a severe setback to their intentions.

### Quon To Play?

An attempt has been made to obtain the services of former Forum hurler Bill Quon for tomorrow's game, otherwise the team will be the same as their baseball squad, with possibly one or two slight changes.

## LOCAL SOCCER FORECAST

### To-day

#### First Division

Navy	v Middlesex
(Navy ground, at 4.45 p.m.)	
South China	v Kowloon
(Caroline Hill, at 4.45 p.m.)	
Club	v St. Joseph's
(Club ground, at 4.45 p.m.)	

#### Second Division

Navy	v Middlesex
(Navy ground, at 3.15 p.m.)	
South China	v Kowloon
(Caroline Hill, at 3.15 p.m.)	
Club	v Engineers
(Club ground, at 3.15 p.m.)	

#### Third Division

Service Corps	v Air Force
(St. Joseph's, at 4.45 p.m.)	
Signals	v International
(St. Joseph's, at 3.15 p.m.)	
Engineers	v 36th R.A.
(Sookunpoo, at 3.15 p.m.)	
24th R.A.	v Shell
(Sookunpoo, at 4.45 p.m.)	

### To-morrow

#### First Division

Kwong Wah	v Sing Tao
(Boundary St., at 4.45 p.m.)	
Eastern	v Royal Scots
(Caroline Hill, at 4.45 p.m.)	

#### Second Division

Kwong Wah	v Sing Tao
(Boundary St., at 3.15 p.m.)	
Ordinance	v Royal Scots
(Caroline Hill, at 3.15 p.m.)	
Kit-choe	v Police
(Club ground, at 4.45 p.m.)	
Service Corps	v 30th R.A.
(Sookunpoo, at 4.45 p.m.)	

#### Third Division

35th R.A.	v 20th R.A.
(Club ground, at 3.15 p.m.)	
A.S.C.	v 12th R.A.
(Chatham Rd., at 3.15 p.m.)	
7th R.A.	v Medicals
(Sookunpoo, at 3.15 p.m.)	

## POLICE PLAYING SAPPERS

The Police will field a team in their first cricket match of the new season when they meet the Royal Engineers in a friendly game at Sookunpoo to-day starting at 1.45 p.m.

Those selected to play for the Police are B. C. Fay, A. Kirby, W. L. Clarke, T. Hunter, J. Ewing, N. L. Smith, A. Estall, W. Danbrowsky, C. Pope, A. E. Carey and J. Sheppard. Reserves: A. Reynolds, E. G. Post, F. Hayward and A. Taylor.

### ARMY TENNIS

Following were the results of Third Round matches in the Army Tennis Open Doubles tournament played at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Sgt. Webb and Cpl. Milne (R.A.M.C.) beat Cpl. Boocock and Cpl. Adams (R.A.O.C.) 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

S/Sgt. Dunfield and S/Sgt. Emberson (R.A.O.C.) beat P. S. M. Greer and Cpl. Alley (R.S.) 6-3, 6-4.



# Record Crowd Expected At The Colony Aquatic Championships

## Additional Accommodation Arranged By The V.R.C.

### NG NIN AND MISS VIVIENNE CHURN FOR MAJOR TITLES

By "Adrem"

ALL ROADS WILL lead to Victoria Recreation Club this evening for the final day of the annual Colony swimming championships. The keen competition that each event has produced this year has aroused interest unprejudiced in the annals of swimming in Hong Kong and record crowds were in attendance on both Wednesday and Thursday; and an even larger crowd is expected to-day. First event this evening will be swum at 9 p.m. sharp.

Having regard to the discomfort suffered by latecomers on previous days, V.R.C. sought permission to erect stands on the Naval Yard side of the pool and these stands, in addition to further stands which are being constructed on the other side, will enable over 100 extra people to be accommodated.

Apart from the Free-Style relay for men, which promises to provide a rare tussle between a Chung Shing-cum-Eastern team and V.R.C., there should be two interesting races for the major swimming titles—the men's and women's 100 Yards free-style events.

#### Stamina And Speed

In view of his performance on Thursday in the 50 yards, Ng Nin, who has the stamina as well as his proven speed, should win, while Hutchinson should take second place with Ng Tsun-man, just securing the third position from Duggie Taylor.

Miss Churn is a certainty for the ladies' title and I have a feeling that Miss Anderson, despite a poor time in the heats, will finish second, although Miss Ho Wal-king is likely to be a strong challenger and may beat Miss Anderson, who has been slipping up on her turns recently.

The back-stroke is likely to be somewhat disappointing as it is unlikely that Lawrence will after all be defending his title. I have heard glowing reports of Ng Nin's prowess in this event and, as all his performances thus far have been so polished, I am inclined to favour him to pip A. K. Rumjahn, although, I must confess, this is only a hunch.

Lionel Roza-Pereira is pretty sure to retain his diving title and Ed. da Roza will take a lot of ousting from the second place. However, having watched a group of Chinese divers practising at V.R.C. the other day, I shall not be surprised if they produce a dark horse.

Chan Chun-nam is as certain as anything ever can be for the 880 yards and it is believed that he will try and lower the record he established in the heats. If Ng Nin swims in this race—and if I were he I should conserve my strength for the other events, including the relay—he should take second place.

It is difficult to assess prospects in the ladies' 440 Yards free-style because the V.R.C. contingent have not been seen in action over this distance this year. Having watched her in training, however, I am inclined to favour Miss Celeste Guterres, a young but extremely powerful swimmer. Miss Churn should not be far away at the finish, while Miss Li Po-luen's powerful breast-stroke should gain her third position notwithstanding the fact that Miss Ip Choi-man, winner of the race last year when it was an "open" event, will be taking part.

Appended is my tabulated forecast for to-day—

#### FORECAST FOR TO-DAY

100 Yards free-style (Men):—1, Ng Nin; 2, D. Hutchinson; 3, Ng Tsun-man.  
100 Yards free-style (Women):—1, Miss V. Churn; 2, Miss J. Anderson; 3, Miss Ho Wal-king.  
100 Yards back-stroke (Men):—

1, Ng Nin; 2, A. K. Rumjahn; 3, Tony Lopes or W. Lawrence.  
Diving:—Lionel Roza-Pereira; 2, Ed. da Roza; 3, Ku Kar-kui.  
880 Yards free-style (Men):—1, Chan Chun-nam; 2, Ng Nin or Charles Huang.  
200 Yards free-style Relay (Men):—1, Chung Shing; 2, V.R.C.; 3, H.K.U.  
440 Yards free-style (Women):—1, Miss C. Guterres; 2, Miss V. Churn; 3, Miss Li Po-luen.

#### To-day's Finalists

100 Yards free-style (Men):—Fung Kwai-sang, Ng Nin, D. Hutchinson, Ng Tsun-man and D. H. Taylor.  
100 Yards free-style (Ladies):—Miss I. Lopes, Miss Dorcen Weir, Miss Vivienne Churn, Miss Ho Wal-king and Miss Jacqueline Anderson.  
100 Yards back-stroke (Men):—Ng Nin, Tony Lopes, A. K. Rumjahn and W. Lawrence.  
Fancy Diving:—Ed. da Roza, L. Roza-Pereira, G. Ainslie, Ku Kar-kui, Wong Yen, Wong King-woon and Lam Gar-kong.  
880 Yards free-style (Men):—Ng Nin, Charles Huang, Lau Tai-ping, Yau Sak-kwan and Chan Chun-nam.  
200 Yards free-style Relay (Men):—Chung Sing Benevolent Society, H.K. University and Victoria Recreation Club.  
440 Yards free-style (Ladies):—Miss Ip Tsui-man, Miss Lee Po-luen, Miss C. Guterres, Miss Vivienne Churn and Miss Cheung Pui-chun.

### ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

(Continued from Page 14)

ing Association, or the Amateur Boxing Association. Special care should therefore be taken to warn competitors of their position should they take part."

This ruling applies to all civilian tournaments including those organised for charitable purposes.

A meeting of the Unit Billiards representatives will be held at the Soldiers' Club, Queen's Road, Hong Kong, on Monday for the purpose of forming a committee and discussing full particulars of all Billiards and Snooker competitions for the forthcoming season.

LAST Saturday, an examination of Army Candidates for life-saving certificates was held by Q.M.S.I. Pacey, A.I.T.S. a representative of the Royal Life-Saving Society, and he following were the successful candidates:—

First Class Instructor:—Sgt. R. Farish (R. Scots).  
Award of merit:—Pte. D. Davidson (R. Scots).  
Bronze Medallion:—Q.M.S.G. Tomlinson (R.A.S.C.), Sgt. H. Harden (R.A.S.C.), Spr. E. Howarth (R.E.), Spr. T. Kuester (R.E.).

The following are the results of an examination held at the Y.M.C.A. Bath on Monday:—First Class Instructor:—Sgt. T. Baker (Middlesex). Bronze Medallion:—L/Cpl. Münchenbach, Pte. Quickenden, Monday.

Edm. Smith, Bdm. Hardy, Bdm. Aylward, and Drm. Harrington (Middlesex).  
THE Army Rugby Football XV this season will have plenty of new talent and should be able to get together a strong team. A prominent newcomer is 2/Lieut. Health, 5th A.A. Regt, R.A., who was a former Sussex County Player, and will be useful in the Army pack. The first Army Rugby trial will take place at Sookunpoo next Tuesday.

SMALL UNIT FOOTBALL KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION. The draw for the First Round of the Small Unit Knock-out competition will be made known next Monday.



MISS CELESTE GUTERRES, a good bet for the ladies' 440 yards free-style event this evening at V.R.C.

### HAMMOND'S BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE

Securing five firsts out of 11 events, Jardines won the inter-hong swimming gala held at the European Y.M.C.A. pool in aid of the "South China Morning Post" Bomber Fund last night with a total of 40 points.

Although the swimming for the most part was not very skilful, there were one or two excellent performances, chief being the fine 50 yards free style by Noel Hammond, Shanghai Interporter, who clocked 25 flat for the distance to give Jardines victory in the medley relay. Hammond, who beat W. Lawrence when the latter was at the top of his form, in an Interport contest in 1936, would have been a serious threat for some of the championship titles had he been able to find the time to train.

150 yards relay:—1, Jardines, 1.21; 2, Dodwells, 1.28; 3, Butterfields, 4. Bank; 5, A.P.C.  
Women's 50 yards:—1, B. Longbottom (Jardines); 2, J. Booker (Bank); 3, D. Eardley (Butterfields); 4, D. Dodwell (Dodwells); 5, E. Stirling (A.P.C.).

100 yards medley relay:—1, Jardines, 6.2; 2, Dodwells, 6.7; 3, Bank; 4, Butterfields; 5, A.P.C.  
Diving:—1, P. Wilson (Dodwells); 2, N. D. Booker (Jardines); 3, J. A. Stewart (Butterfields); 4, D. G. Day (Bank); 5, A.P.C.

Aquatic Geometrics:—1, A.P.C.; 2, Butterfields; 3, Dodwells.  
Water polo:—Y.M.C.A. beat Combined Hong 4-1.  
Long Plunge:—1, M. F. L. Haymes (Bank); 2, Pecorini (Dodwells); 3, L. de C. Blechynden (A.P.C.); 4, Butterfields; 5, D. O. Parsons (Jardines).

25 yards Veterans:—1, C. F. Hyde (Bank); 2, A. Hyde-Lay (Dodwells); 3, D. L. Newbigging (Jardines); 4, G. Campbell (Butterfields); 5, S. Crawford (A.P.C.).

50 yards breast-stroke:—1, M. F. L. Haymes (Bank); 2, P. B. Wilson (Dodwells); 3, T. Gaubert (Jardines); 4, R. G. Castleton (Butterfields); 5, Simpson (A.P.C.).

Night Shirt and Candle Race:—1, T. Gaubert (Jardines); 2, A. M. Kennedy (Bank); 3, N. Spence (A.P.C.).

100 yards mixed relay:—1, Butterfields; 2, Jardines; 3, A.P.C.; 4, Bank; 5, Dodwells.

50 yards:—1, N. G. Hammond (Jardines); 2, L. A. Bern (Dodwells); 3, J. A. Stewart (Butterfields); 4, F. M. Thompson (Bank); 5, J. L. Halsey (A.P.C.).

### "SKIP'S" FORECAST FOR TO-DAY

#### FIRST DIVISION

Kowloon Docks ..... (45) v Craigengower ..... (75)  
Indian R.C. .... (63) v Civil Service ..... (67)  
Recrelo "B" ..... (43) v Kowloon B.G.C. .... (68)

#### SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon B.G.C. .... (76) v Hong Kong C.C. .... (50)  
Kowloon Tong ..... (69) v Civil Service ..... (47)  
Kowloon C.C. .... (53) v Kowloon F.C. .... (52)  
Police R.C. .... (58) v Taikeo ..... (62)

Figures in brackets denote the result of the first game this season.

### SECOND DIVISION TAKES SPOTLIGHT IN TO-DAY'S BOWLS

By "Skip"

THE THREE MATCHES in First Division down for to-day have no bearing on the League and I will pass them without comment.

It is in Second Division that all the interest will be centred as Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Kowloon Football Club and Taikeo are all engaged.

### SKIP'S THREE BEST FOR BIG WINS

Taikeo v (P.R.C.)  
Kowloon B.G.C. v (H.K.C.C.)  
Kowloon F.C. v (K.C.C.)

### SOUTH CHINA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Following were the results of the annual swimming championships of the South China Athletic Association were held at North Point yesterday.

Women's 400 metres relay:—1, South China; 2, Lai Tsun Union; Time: 6.45.  
400 metres relay:—1, Eastern; 2, Chung Shing; 3, Lai Tsun. Time: 4.38/4.5.

Women's 50 metres:—1, Li Chek-wa; 2, Ho Wal-man; 3, Ngan Suet-yes. Time: 44.1/5.

Girls' 100 metres breast-stroke:—1, Ho Wal-mui; 2, Tso Sal-man; 3, Poon Kwai-heung. Time: 1.59.2/5.

Boys' 50 metres:—1, Ko Wal-king; 2, Yeung Tin-poon; 3, Fan Sum-ming. Time: 59.3/5.

100 metres breast-stroke:—1, Yeung Tung; 2, Au Yeung-wah; 3, Cheong-wah; 4, Au Yeung-wah; 5, Li Wei-lung; Harold Wingled.

Cheung Chung-wah. Time: 1.30.4/5.  
Women's 200 metres breast-stroke:—1, Li Po-lin; 2, Au Mel-chuen; 3, Lau Mui-yuen. Time: 3.34.

Club's Servants 100 metres:—1, Man On; 2, Li Yuki; 3, Law Sum.

50 metres:—1, Au Leung-wah; 2, Mak Kan-lam; 3, Chiu Pul-fan. Time: 33.2/5.

100 metres breast-stroke:—1, Ho Pun-kun; 2, Kam Wah; 3, Ho Siu-ling. Time: 1.25.2/5.

Committee 100 metres:—1, Ho Yuk-kwan; 2, Lai Hop-chai; 3, Yeung Chiu-fai.

Water Polo:—Macao 3; South China 2. For Macao:—Tso Chak-long (2). For South China:—Lionel Lower, Harold Wingled.

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## German Air Force Sticks Its Neck Out Again

### EXPERTS TACKLE NEW JOB

Two new commissioners were appointed in London last night to minimise suffering and dislocation due to air raids.

The Ministry of Health appointed Mr. Henry Willink to supervise arrangements for the care and re-housing of people rendered homeless in the London region.

The Ministry of Home Security appointed Sir Warren Fisher as special commissioner to co-ordinate and facilitate the work of the authorities responsible for the restoration of roads and public utilities services damaged by enemy action.

Commenting on the latter appointment, Sir John Anderson, Minister of Home Security, said the authorities responsible have done wonders but a separate organisation is required which will function independently of other parts of the London region organisation.—Reuter.

### U.S. LOAN CHEERS CHUNGKING

All the Chungking newspapers yesterday splashed the news of the U.S. loan to China, forecasting "new and important measures" by the U.S. to meet the Far East situation as a result of the Japanese invasion of Indo-China.

The Chinese newspapers de-

### Fighter Patrols Excel Themselves

THE GERMAN air force yesterday launched the largest scale attack on Britain for nearly a fortnight, confirms the Air Ministry news service, adding that in doing so she lost the largest number of aircraft and airmen in a single day since September 15.

R.A.F. fighters destroyed 128 enemy aircraft and A.A. fire accounted for another two.

Three of four waves of enemy 'planes were directed against London and south-east England and the Fourth against Bristol.

Of about 130 aircraft in the first wave, which crossed the Kentish coast near Dungeness at 7.45 a.m., only 30 got through to London and these were Messerschmidt 110's, a few of which carried bombs.

The Messerschmidts circled vainly waiting for the Dornier and Heinkel heavy bombers. They had evidently been told to meet there but the Dorniers and Heinkels never turned up.

These Messerschmidts fared badly. One Hurricane patrol shot down four and badly damaged others.

Three survivors crashed ten miles out over the English Channel — they were all the Hurricanes could find of the original formation.

#### Squadron Rivalry

Over Kent, where heavy bombers were put to rout, there was competition among the Spitfire

nounce the Vichy Government.—Reuter.

and Hurricane patrols as to who was to attack them.

Among other fighter patrols which fought the enemy south of London during the day were one of the R.A.F. Polish squadrons and the First Squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Force who attacked together.

The Canadians shot down six and the Poles 10.

Pilots describe how enemy formations of Heinkel and Dornier bombers and their protective escorts were thrown into disorder.

Watchers on the coast near Beachy Head saw a Spitfire pilot ram a Junkers bomber, tearing off its tail. The Junkers crashed, two of the crew were killed and the third taken prisoner. The Spitfire pilot was also killed.—Reuter.

### SYRIA WANTS PEACE AND QUIET

AN APPEAL FOR GREATER UNITY AMONG LEBANESE AND FRENCHMEN IN THE LEVANT WAS ISSUED BY THE FRENCH HIGH COMMISSIONER IN SYRIA YESTERDAY FOLLOWING WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS THE "SAD EVENTS" AT DAKAR.

He stated all Frenchmen should rally round the national emblem. To persevere in a spirit of difference was a crime against their country, he said.—Reuter.

### COSTLY FAILURE

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some fatal. Bombs were also dropped in several places in Kent and Essex but reports show damage and casualties were slight.

During the morning, forces of enemy aircraft crossed the Dorset coast and reached the outskirts of Bristol. They were heavily engaged by fighters and driven off.

Reports hitherto received indicate that damage and casualties were not heavy.

#### The First 100

Later in the afternoon enemy aircraft crossed the south-east coast in force but again they were intercepted at a number of points and only a few of them succeeded in reaching the London area.

Reports received up to 3.30 p.m. showed that 98 enemy aircraft had been shot down by our fighters. Twenty-five of our fighters were lost but the pilots of 10 are safe.—Reuter.

#### 130 The Latest

THE AIR MINISTRY NOW STATE THAT THE NUMBER OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN DESTROYED YESTERDAY IS 130, OF WHICH TWO WERE SHOT DOWN BY A.A. FIRE.

THIRTY-FOUR OF OUR FIGHTERS ARE MISSING BUT THE PILOTS OF 15 ARE SAFE.—REUTER.

### GANDHI'S INTERVIEW WITH VICEROY

Mr. Gandhi's interview with the Viceroy yesterday lasted three and a half hours. Mr. Gandhi remained in Simla overnight.—Reuter.

### CHINESE EVACUATING KUNMING

THE CHINESE FORCES ALONG THE INDO-CHINA BORDER ARE REMAINING IN CHINESE TERRITORY, ACCORDING TO CHINESE DISPATCHES FROM KUNMING, BUT ON WEDNESDAY MARTIAL LAW WAS DECLARED ON THE YUNNAN BORDER WHERE THE MILITARY ARE RIGIDLY EXAMINING ALL PASSING THE BORDER.

To harass the rear of the Japanese forces in Indo-China, the Chinese forces are exerting pressure on the Japanese in the

### NATION'S WORK-MUST GO ON

The scheme to circumvent stoppages or delay due to air raids will henceforth apply to Civil Servants in London Government Departments.

Except in the most exposed offices, Civil Servants will ignore the ordinary alert signal and carry on until the second emergency warning, circulated when raids are actually near.

Even then the staff will continue to work in shelters. General object is to enable essential work to be continued. Visitors will be received and important conferences will be continued.

The arrangements have been made on a voluntary basis but staff representatives expressed complete agreement with the new regulations and promised full co-operation.—Reuter.

vicinity of Faching, on the Kwangtung coast.

In Kwangsi, the Chinese are constantly attacking the Japanese near Shansze.

Foreigners have not evacuated from Kunming but Government organisations are leaving and Chinese civilians are evacuating.—Reuter.

### STOP PRESS

When he called on President Roosevelt, Lord Lothian was accompanied by Sir Walter Layton.

Lord Lothian told reporters afterwards he told the President Britain's supply needs were more of everything — and quick.

Asked whether that meant more destroyers he replied: "I don't think we would refuse anything."

Sir Walter Layton indicated he told the President that delivery of munitions must be accelerated because of the predicted hotter fight next Spring.—Reuter.

Mr. Gandhi's decision to remain in Simla until Sunday or Monday, coupled with the prolonged nature of his interview with the Viceroy, has given rise to a rather more hopeful atmosphere than had previously existed.

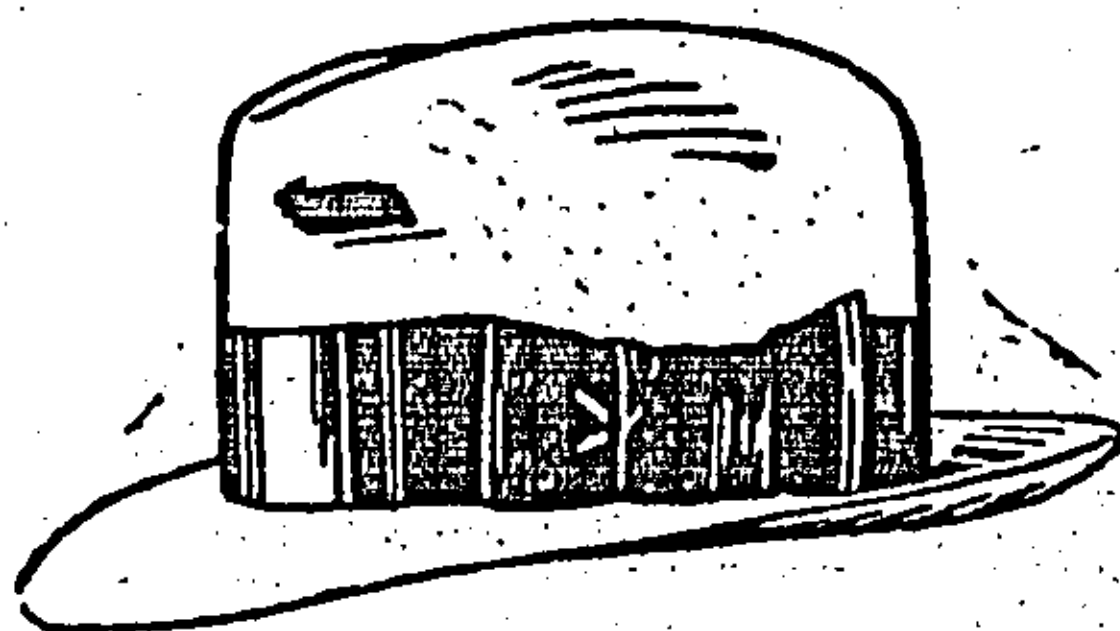
It had been felt that reconciliation of Mr. Gandhi's desire to secure freedom of speech in connection with India's participation in the war, and liberty to propagate the doctrine of non-violence, with the policy of the Government of India of prosecuting the war and increasing India's war effort to the utmost, constituted an almost insoluble problem.—Reuter.

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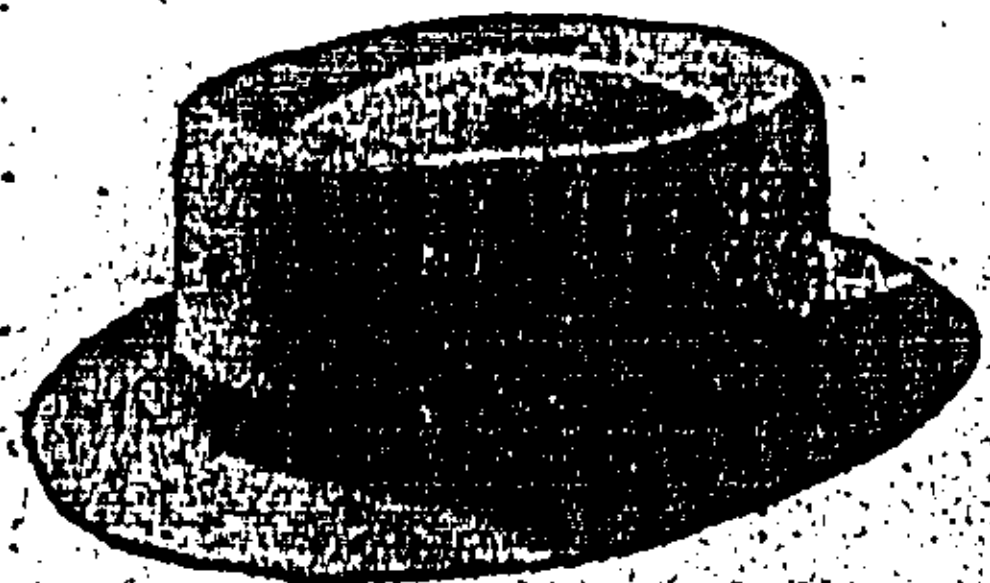
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